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Pileup What a view



Bruce Wilson makes a call after being involved in a nine-car pileup on the Halifax side of the Macdonald Bridge shortly before 5 p.m. yesterday. The crash temporarily closed one side of the bridge and caused a massive traffic backup. There were no reported injuries.

Plane's wing found from 1976 crash

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JOGGINS An abandoned wing of an aircraft found near Joggins several weeks ago is the last remnant of a bizarre airplane crash in 1976.

In July 1976, a small, U.S. registered Cessna Cardinal took off from Norfolk, Mass. on what was supposed to be a two-hour recreational flight.

Three months later, investigators found the crashed aircraft near Joggins, with clothes inside — but no pilot.

In November 1976, a hunter found a massive-cracked skull near the area, and investigators concluded the pilot had stripped off all his clothes and leapt from the plane in midair. "There's not too many other explanations," said Mike Cunningham, regional manager of air operations for the Transportation Safety Board.

"At some point, over Nova Scotia, it appears he departed the aircraft." Several weeks ago, workers building a new forest road found the aircraft wing, and called Parrsboro RCMP.

It was thought at first that it might be from another aircraft, a Beech Sundown, that crashed in 1967 with five people aboard. Cunningham said the investigation quickly determined that wasn't the case.

Afghan mission: \$18.1B

Report suggests Canadians kept in dark over true cost

The Conservative government deliberately misled Canadians about the mounting cost of Canada's Afghan mission, federal New Democrats said after a new report pegged the price tag at up to \$18.1 billion before it ends in 2011.

"They have tried to hide the real cost," NDP Leader Jack Layton said yesterday after the parliamentary budget officer released a report that tallied the cost of the war — and also said that successive Liberal and Conservative governments were not upfront with Canadians.

Yesterday's independent report, which pegged the cost of the conflict far above

Lack of transparency

- Page suggested yesterday he was deliberately frustrated in his search for answers from federal departments, prompting him to condemn the lack of openness around the mission and concede the real financial cost could be much higher.

anything released by the government, thrust the issue into the political arena in the final days of the campaign.

Kevin Page, Parliament's independent budget officer, called his report the most "comprehensive" assessment of the price tag of Canada's diplomatic and military efforts in the troubled nation since 2002. His report suggests Canadians have been kept in the dark

about the true costs of the Afghanistan mission, a tally that could top \$18.1 billion by the time troops are due to return home in 2011 — or about \$1,500 per household.

Harper defended the cost as the price of ensuring soldiers and diplomats are well-protected in their work. "When we have men and women in uniform ... that are putting their lives on the line, the government

will spend what is necessary to make sure they are safe and successful," he said.

And he denied the government was deliberately shielding the cost of the mission. Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion, who joined with other Liberals to endorse an extension of the mission, was more muted in his criticism, chastising the government for "false transparency."

The Tories have already come under criticism for their lack of disclosure surrounding the mission.

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E-cast your ballot

Didn't e-vote last weekend? You can vote in person at advance polls for the municipal and school board elections tomorrow or Tuesday, from noon until 8 p.m. Municipal election day is Oct. 18. For more information, visit www.halifax.ca/election or call 490-8683. **METRO HALIFAX**

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College numbers rising

Enrolment numbers jumped 5.9 per cent at the Nova Scotia Community College in 2008-09. There are 10,505 students at NSCC's 13 campuses provincially. The School of Trades and Technology — where students learn things such as heavy construction, carpentry, welding and automotive repair — has 2,950, the most students at the college. **METRO HALIFAX**

Questions

The following are the questions asked in a new Bristol Omnifacts Research poll commissioned by Metro Halifax and CTV:

• Question: Which party are you most likely to vote for in the Canadian Federal Election on Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2008?

	Total	Male	Female
NDP	28%	27%	30%
Liberal	22%	22%	21%
Conservative	18%	24%	13%
Undecided	13%	10%	16%
Green	9%	7%	10%
Refused	6%	6%	7%
Don't know	3%	2%	3%
Other	1%	2%	0%
None of the above	0%	1%	0%

• Question: Considering the local candidates for the next federal election, who are you most likely to vote for in the Canadian Federal Election on Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2008?

	Total	Male	Female
Megan Leslie, NDP	32%	28%	35%
Catherine Meade, Liberal	19%	20%	19%
Ted Larsen, Conservative	19%	20%	19%
Undecided	9%	5%	12%
Darryl Whetter, Green	9%	7%	10%
Refused	4%	4%	5%
Don't know	4%	2%	6%
None of the above	3%	3%	2%
Other	1%	2%	1%
Tony Seed, Marxist-Leninist	0%	0%	0%

• 400 Halifax residents were surveyed on Oct. 7 and 8.
• The poll's margin of error is plus or minus of 5 per cent, 19 times out of 20.



NDP candidate Megan Leslie knocks on a door as she campaigns at Joseph Howe Manor yesterday. A new poll has the NDP out in front in the Halifax riding.

NDP holds on to decent lead: Poll

DEVIN STEVENS
for Metro Halifax

A new poll says the Halifax riding held by Alexa McDonough for more than a decade will remain NDP this election.

Commissioned by Metro Halifax and CTV, the Bristol Omnifacts Research poll has the NDP enjoying 28 per cent support, the Liberals at 22 per cent, and the Conservatives with 18 per cent.

Almost a quarter were undecided or refused to answer.

"At this point — and we're pretty close to the election — it certainly looks like an NDP win here," said Bristol Omnifacts vice-president of research, Craig Wight.

The NDP's lead was even

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greater when the question was about the local candidates. Thirty-two per cent said they would vote for New Democrat Megan Leslie. The Liberals' Catherine Meade and the Conservatives' Ted Larsen were tied at 19 per cent, while nine per cent favour the Green Party's Darryl Whetter.

"It's the same story," Wight said. "It just sort of confirms what the party numbers suggested."

Leslie said her campaign is focused on the Oct. 14 election, and will keep working throughout the weekend.

"We are seeing momentum," Leslie said. "There are more and more people

calling our office looking for signs. Our office has well over 100 volunteers and more keep coming in every day. It's amazing."

Meade is also focusing on Tuesday's vote, saying her campaign is about to kick into high gear.

"If the numbers were all flipped around and I was the one out in front, it wouldn't change what I do," Meade said. "Give it your all and see what happens in the end."

Ted Larsen's campaign didn't respond to Metro Halifax yesterday.

The poll also shows the NDP's Jack Layton is Halifax's pick for prime minister, with 27 per cent support. Stephen Harper is second with 22 per cent, while 20 per cent like Liberal Stéphane Dion.

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Premier pins price on green shift plan

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POLITICS Rodney MacDonald waded into federal politics yesterday to put a price tag on the federal Liberal's green shift plan, saying it would cost the province \$600 million per year.

But Liberal MP Scott Brison shot back, saying the numbers were wrong and the premier was deceiving Nova Scotians.

MacDonald cited the \$600 million figure to reporters as proof the green shift plan would hurt the province.

"This is not a small number. This is a huge number with a huge impact," said MacDonald.

"Where is that money going? To Ottawa. I think we send enough money to Ottawa. I'd like to see those dollars staying home."

The Liberal plan involves taxing carbon emissions and distributing the money back through tax breaks and programs.

MacDonald's claim was based on an analysis done by the finance department, but he didn't include the estimated \$470 million heading back to the province. So the actual pro-

jected loss is about \$160 million each year.

A department spokesperson said the number is only a rough estimate for the years 2012 and beyond, and many variables could change the result.

The Liberals attacked MacDonald's claim, saying he was deliberately misleading voters.

"Rodney is lying to Nova Scotians," said Liberal MP Scott Brison.

"Rodney MacDonald doesn't defend Nova Scotia in Ottawa, he defends (Stephen) Harper in Nova Scotia."

Brison said the provincial analysis misses many points — weighted tax shifts for the lower class, senior and family income supplements — that would lead to over \$600 million flowing back to Nova Scotia. That would make the plan close to neutral.

MacDonald also criticized the NDP environment plan as being too expensive for Nova Scotia. He supported the Conservative plan, though he admitted its costs weren't yet known.

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News in brief

CRIME Police are looking for three men who robbed the Big Bargain Auto Parts in Dartmouth yesterday with a handgun. At 1:30 p.m., three men wearing black winter jackets walked into the Howe Street auto shop with a handgun, and made off with an undisclosed amount of cash. No one was hurt.

JOBS Locked-out members of United Mine Workers Local 2268 expect replacement workers on the Whitney Pier job site

and are planning to take action at the Logistec Stevedoring office on Dominion Street. Dennis Dean, president of the union local, said the company has brought in workers from its other operations to load coal bound for Nova Scotia Power's Lingar Generating Station. No one from Logistec Stevedoring was available for comment.

COURT Bob Douglas and Douglas Projects International have each been found guilty on six

counts of violating provincial environmental regulations following a spring 2007 oil leak. A tank in the basement of the former Suttles and Seawinds factory in New Germany was found to have leaked oil, prompting the charges. Douglas was fined more than \$8,000 for the violations. He claimed the leak did not come from his tank, but was instead maliciously dumped. An expert dye test proved the leak did come from Douglas's property.

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Spousal violence was least prevalent in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and British Columbia in 2006, according to Statistics Canada. It was most common in Nunavut and Quebec. Across Canada, eight of 10 spousal abuse victims were women. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Halifax housing market expected to stay strong

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ECONOMY With talk of the dreaded "R" word going around, there may be a few people who will hold off on buying a house.

But a possible recession and a dour housing market in the U.S. won't directly affect the Halifax housing market, said Bill Covey with Royal LePage.

"Our market prices are still up over what they were last year," Covey said. "I think the biggest reason for that is our economy is much stronger and our lending industry is structured differently. With very few Canadians in arrears of their mortgage, it's a completely different system."

According to a recent house price survey, values in Halifax are mostly on the rise. The only category to fall was two-storey homes in the West End, which dropped in price by 8.2 per cent to \$210,000.

But there were several increases in property values throughout Halifax. The biggest jump was for detached bungalows in the

North End. They rose 14.7 per cent to \$195,000.

That means if you're waiting to buy, thinking some stellar deals are on the way, don't.

"I wouldn't be waiting to buy, expecting that prices are going to drop dramatically," Covey said. "I think our market is undervalued, even compared to the rest of Canada. Our prices are still reasonable and based on actual value and not overinflated."

"We're in a totally different situation than in the States."

Bill Covey,
Royal LePage

And even looking ahead into dark days for the U.S. economy, Covey said he expects our house values to go up.

"It may not go up at the same rate it has been, but I expect our market to still move forward. Overall, we're in a totally different situation than in the States, so because of that we should expect steady growth."

Tuition drops in N.S.

But StatsCan figures show province still above average

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Tuition rates in Nova Scotia fell from last year but school is still significantly more expensive here than anywhere else in Canada.

Figures released yesterday from Statistics Canada showed the average tuition costs in Nova Scotia fell a couple hundred dollars to \$6,110.

The drop is in contrast to an average increase in price across the country. But Nova Scotia schools are still much pricier than the Canadian average of \$4,558.

Education Department spokesman Dan Harrison said the move downwards is a sign of things to come.

"Our goal is to bring it down to the national average and we've started doing that," said Harrison. "We didn't expect it to happen in one year, obviously, but the trend is to continue down to the national average and get there by 2010-11."

Harrison said the province is currently on track to meet that goal.

"We acknowledge that tuition is high and we need to bring it down, and we intend to."

But some students, particularly those who study in



Dalhousie theatre student Cem Cinar talks with Metro Halifax about tuition costs at the Student Union Building yesterday.

specialty areas or who are from outside of Canada, pay significantly higher than the average rate.

Dalhousie student Cem Cinar came to Nova Scotia from Turkey two years ago. He's a permanent resident

of Canada, so his tuition is around \$8,000 per year. But he has friends who qualify as international students and have to pay about \$20,000 each year.

"I have many friends who graduated from high school

but have no money to pay for (university), so they go to work instead of going to university," he said.

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Aboriginal activist's grandson passes on traditional sentencing circle in her slaying

TRIAL Millbrook native James Gloade, currently awaiting his fate for the brutal slaying of his grandmother, Nora Bernard, has waived his rights to a sentencing circle.

Gloade, 25, who pleaded guilty to second-degree murder, withdrew his request to be sentenced under the traditional aboriginal method during a brief court appearance yesterday.

The unexpected decision drew mixed reaction from family members who have been torn apart by Bernard's death at the hands of her beloved grandson.

"I'm glad he's cut it off, he's done the right thing," said Gloade's aunt, Leanna MacLeod, who had been petitioning against his attempt to be sentenced through a native circle. "It hasn't even been a year yet (since her death), I don't see how going into a sentencing circle is going to help us heal ... that takes time."

For Gloade's mother Natalie, the decision came as a

disappointment because she believed the sentencing format would have forced her son to see first-hand how drastically his actions have affected his community.

"I really don't know what to say," she said. "All I know is other aboriginal people that are coming through the courts ... there will be no support."

Defence lawyer Stanley MacDonald said the decision was based on his recommendation to Gloade following a lack of support from the Millbrook community and Bernard's family.

Sentencing circles require the participation of several parties, including community elders and members of the victim's and the guilty party's families, which in this case are intertwined.

"This is not Mr. Gloade saying 'I don't want to have a sentencing circle, therefore we are not going to have a sentencing circle,'" MacDonald said. "This is

Final word

• Those who face a sentencing circle must ultimately be sentenced by a sitting judge.

Mr. Gloade accepting my advice after all the information became aware to us that there wasn't going to be sentencing circle anyway."

Nov. 26 has been set as the date for Gloade's sentence to be held in provincial court in Truro. A pre-sentence report has been ordered along with a Gladue report, which is available to aboriginal peoples.

Bernard, best known for leading a successful class action lawsuit against the federal government on behalf of Indian residential school survivors, died in her home on Dec. 27.

Yesterday, family members gathered in Halifax for a ceremony where the matriarch was invested into the Order of Nova Scotia.

THE TRURO DAILY NEWS

South Shore officer wins police excellence award

Const. Dave Greene, a South Shore RCMP officer, has won the Terry Ryan award from MADD Canada for excellence in policing. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Donation **Feed Nova Scotia**

NSCC instructor Larry Bergeron and Boulanger and Baking Art students Dave Schmidt and Christine Pritchard deliver a rack of freshly baked bread to Feed Nova Scotia yesterday. NSCC students baked approximately 350 loaves of bread as well as hot cross buns and rolls to help support Feed Nova Scotia over the Thanksgiving weekend.

Happy dead bird day**BecauseI Said So**

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The boys rushed into the house yelling. Nothing new there. "The cat caught a squirrel!" they yelled. Oh. That is new.

Out ran the clan, convinced there was no way our tiny kitten had caught a large squirrel.

Way. "Aieeeeeeee!" screamed the teen queens, as the cat walked by carrying a squirrel half his size. "Wow," said the boy wonders, clearly fascinated by their purring — yet predator — pet.

The Thanksgiving memories came rushing back. Yes, only in my family does a dead squirrel do that.

It was back when the teen queens were pre-teen princesses, and the boys were in booster seats. Our extended family was gathered at my sister's house for a Norman Rockwell holiday.

Everyone was seated, the turkey carved, the squash

and cranberries passed around, when someone small said "Look, there's Otis!" Otis was my sister's cat. He sat outside looking at us through the patio door.

He was a big cat, roughly the size of the turkey. And like the turkey, Otis was stuffed. Something's tail hung out of Otis's mouth.

Swing, there's Uncle Mike. Swing, there's Uncle Mike smacking the shovel. Swing, there's Uncle Mike scooping a dead squirrel. Swing, there's Uncle Mike walking to the woods.

"Oh my God, is that a squirrel," someone — maybe my sister — screamed.

"Mike, get that squirrel out of his mouth," definitely my sister Cheryl.

My brother-in-law gave her a look suggesting he was quite happy where he was, but then children started squealing.

"Mommy, is the squirrel

dead," one of mine asked.

"Nooo," I said brightly, "Otis is just playing."

Uncle Mike was out on the patio now, wrestling a 15-pound cat determined to hang onto a squirrel. We could see it all through the patio door. Finally the squirrel popped out, but it was clearly very wounded.

Uncle Mike reached over and grabbed a shovel. Aunt Cheryl reached over and snapped the blinds.

Brother-in-laws reached for drinks, sharing "Glad-I'm-not-Mike" looks.

Nobody ate.

"Who wants more squash," my sister said desperately. Behind her the vertical blinds swung back and forth, back and forth.

Swing, there's Uncle Mike. Swing, there's Uncle Mike smacking the shovel. Swing, there's Uncle Mike scooping a dead squirrel. Swing, there's Uncle Mike walking to the woods with the shovel. There were an awful lot of Thanksgiving leftovers that year.

As family dinners go, it was a disaster. But as family stories go, it's one of our favourites. It's almost as good as our Christmas story, which begins "while I was on the phone with Poison Control..."

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News in brief

COURT Three years after he was charged with two counts of second-degree murder, Michael Joseph Mitchelmore's case has been delayed again. Mitchelmore's attorneys dropped him in September, a

month before his trial was to begin. Yesterday another lawyer, Warren Zimmer, told the court he would need time to review the case before deciding if he would represent Mitchelmore. The matter has

been put over until Nov. 20 at 2 p.m. The Glen Haven man is charged with the death of Adam Eisenhower, 26, and Tyler Sampson, 25. Both slayings happened in 2005.

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NDP's pledge to cancel tax cuts a 'job killer': Dion

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With just six days to go in the federal election campaign, Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion focused most of yesterday's speech before the Chamber of Commerce on criticizing Prime Minister Stephen Harper — but he also took some time to explain why he thinks NDP Leader Jack Layton wouldn't get the job done either as Canada's leader.

"He says he has a plan. Unfortunately ... his plan is a job killer," Dion said.

Layton has campaigned on cancelling Harper's \$50-billion tax cuts to businesses.

"Does Mr. Layton think he will attract business in Halifax, in Nova Scotia, in Canada by making it more

"When the stock market is so shaky, the last thing you need to do is to cancel \$50 billion in tax cuts to employers."

Stéphane Dion

expensive to do business here?" Dion said. "If there is no new investment, there will be no new jobs."

"At this time, when the stock market is so shaky, the last thing you need to do is to cancel \$50 billion in tax cuts to employers."

Plus, Canadians know Layton won't be elected prime minister on Oct. 14, so a vote for the NDP is a vote for Harper, Dion said.

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Dion butters up business crowd

Liberal leader discusses economic crisis, takes aim at PM

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Stéphane Dion knows how to please a crowd.

When he first took to the stage at Pier 21 in Halifax yesterday, he told the Chamber of Commerce that Halifax is one of the most successful and resilient cities in the country. Then he said he could find everything he needed for his cabinet right here in Nova Scotia.

"We have an incredible Liberal caucus in Nova Scotia. I have here the materials for the core of the cabinet for the whole of Canada," he said.

Oh, and he threw in an Atlantic Accord reference for good measure.

"A prime minister must be trustworthy when he commits to something ... My dear friends of Atlantic Canada, my fellow citizens, I will honour the Atlantic Accord."

Needless to say, that went over well with the



Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion speaks at a luncheon hosted by the Halifax Chamber of Commerce at Pier 21 yesterday.

crowd of several hundred business people.

In his 40-minute speech, Dion split his time between talking about the worldwide economic crisis and criticizing Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

"With the election a week away, Canada's economy is confronting a sig-

nificant challenge. We are facing a volatile stock market, which is understandably raising the anxiety level of every Canadian," he said.

Harper, Dion said more than a few times, is adopting a "laissez-faire, I don't care" attitude, but the Liberals have a plan.

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He said Canada has the worst economic growth in the G8 so far this year, and we've had nine months of failing labour activity. Now the chief economists of the major banks are forecasting a recession for Canada, he said.

"We have to act now. Doing nothing is not an option."

But when confronted by a journalist in a media scrum after the speech, Dion had to clarify his stance. The journalist told him that the International Monetary Fund is saying Canada is in great shape, and, in fact, not headed for a recession.

"I never said that we'll have for sure a recession," Dion said. "I said we'll avoid one with a government that works with Canadians to make sure that doesn't happen."

Dion also said he'd work with regulators to protect savings.

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Monday, October 13th

HRM Recycling Plant Open
Saturday, October 11th
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Girl, 14, pleads guilty to attack on teen

PLEA A 14-year-old girl has pleaded guilty to two charges for her role in a vicious attack against another 14-year-old girl by five teenagers back in June.

The girl, who can't be identified under the Youth Criminal Justice Act, pleaded guilty to one count each of assault causing bodily harm and unlawful confinement yesterday in provincial youth court.

The girl is being sentenced as a youth on Nov. 18. Crown attorney Terry Nickerson told the court he is no longer seeking an adult sentence for the girl, or looking to have her deemed a serious violent offender.

"We'll just now move to

"We'll just now move to the next stage in the process. This is not over by any means."

Terry Nickerson

the next stage in the process," Nickerson said outside the courtroom. "This is not over by any means."

The victim, whose name hasn't been released, was beaten for several hours. She was attacked with a mop at one point and also thrown down the stairs. She was also burned with cigarettes and locked inside a freezer, where she

had cold water poured over her.

Reports indicate the victim was treated in hospital for injuries to her face, head and arms.

Brandon Weare, 18, and another 17-year-old male have both pleaded guilty to several charges for their roles in the attack. Weare will be sentenced on Nov. 2. The 17-year-old male will be sentenced Dec. 2.

Another 17-year-old male has pleaded not guilty to a list of charges and is going to trial on Feb. 23.

The final teenager charged in the attack, a 16-year-old girl, has a preliminary hearing set for Nov. 21.

METRO HALIFAX

News in brief

COURT Peter McCreath, chairman of the Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation, was in federal tax court on Oct. 8 to defend himself against accusations by the Canada Revenue Agency that he failed to report travel benefits as income. McCreath was reimbursed close to \$5,000 between 2002 and 2004 for travel expenses incurred travelling between his home office in Hubbards and the NSLC office in Halifax. CRA says that should be considered a taxable benefit, but McCreath says the money merely paid for job-related expenses.

METRO HALIFAX

Ontario company to create 70 new jobs in Nova Scotia

INDUSTRY Prudential Consulting Inc., an Ontario-based medical transcription company, says it will create 70 new jobs in Nova Scotia over the next five years.

The province is supporting the expansion with almost \$600,000 in payroll rebates. Most staff will be able to work from home.

"Because of its unique operating model, PCI can draw talent from across the province, so Nova Sco-

"Because of (PCI's) unique operating model ... Nova Scotians can live and work in their own communities."

Angus MacIsaac

tians can live and work in their own communities," said Economic Development Minister Angus MacIsaac.

METRO HALIFAX

Tours to see fall colours

Longing to see the fall colours on McNabs Island? The Friends of McNabs Island Society is holding fall foliage tours on Sunday, Oct. 19, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. It costs \$10 for members and children, \$12 for non-members. For more information, visit www.mcnabsisland.ca. **METRO HALIFAX**

Big cash for seniors programs

GRANTS Seniors programs in Nova Scotia are going to get more than \$700,000 in grants from the provincial government. The money will be used for safety programs, improving communications between seniors and police, and promoting relationships with young people. The money comes from the Department of Seniors as well as the Department of Justice. \$270,000 will be awarded this year. "This grant is another step government is taking so seniors can live safely and feel comfortable in their communities," said Carolyn Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Seniors. "Reaching this goal took a lot of teamwork by government and people in communities throughout the province."

DEVIN STEVENS
/FOR METRO HALIFAX

Workshop Tech lessons for teachers



High school teachers Danielle Boyd, left, and Lee Anne Amaral control their Mars Rover robot at an Exploring Technology 10 workshop at the Lord Nelson Hotel yesterday. Seventy-five teachers from across the province were getting hands-on training for a new technology curriculum for high schools.

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Radio station marks birthday

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News 95.7's three-year anniversary is tomorrow, but you won't find any radio station staff stopping to celebrate.

"It's just business as usual, we're prepping for our big election show on Tuesday," said news and programming director, Mark Campbell.

Local programming has expanded over the last three years, and Campbell says the station is hoping for more. There are plans for local content into the night and on Sundays.

Since 2006, News 95.7's audience has grown from 21,000 to 33,000. Campbell says because they're on the FM dial they've at-



News 95.7's Maritime Morning host Andrew Krystal interviews Liberal leader Stéphane Dion.

tracted more young listeners than typical talk radio stations.

"There's an appetite for news," Campbell said.

"We can't flip it to become a music station. It's news because we believe in the brand, and we believe to be truly local you have to what's going on in the community. You do that through spoken word programming."

News in brief

CRIME Police are looking for two men who stole a cellphone and an iPod from a man in a parking lot on Prince Albert Road in Dartmouth Wednesday

night. The first suspect is a white man, 16 or 17 years old, 5'9", 140 pounds, wearing a blue T-shirt and jeans. The second is a black man, 18 or 19, 5'11", 175

pounds, wearing a black hoodie and sweatpants.

MEDIA The group working to bring a community FM station

to Cumberland County wants to know why Amherst town council is not supporting it financially.

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N.S. commission gives warning
The Nova Scotia Securities Commission is warning people not to make sudden decisions and avoid unsolicited financial advice. **METRO HALIFAX**



Vic Gouthro was cheered on by students and staff at Baddeck Academy as he embarked on his campaign, On the Trail for the Cure, to raise awareness about diabetes. The Bras d'Or man will cycle the Cabot Trail over the next two days, raising awareness and stopping to talk to students at schools.

The spin on diabetes

Dedicated father cycles 300 km for disease awareness

Vic Gouthro's message to students at Baddeck Academy was simple — eat right and exercise.

The 61-year-old Bras d'Or man kicked off his On the Trail for the Cure campaign this week at the Baddeck school and then set out on a three-day, 300-kilometre journey around the Cabot Trail to raise awareness about diabetes — a cause near and dear to his heart.

Vic's son Scott, now 27 and a goaltending coach with the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles, was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes 11 years ago.

But Vic said his son hasn't let the disease dictate his life, despite having to do a minimum of four insulin injections and regular blood sugar monitoring each day.

In fact, he says Scott is

"If we don't address it now, it's going to bankrupt the health-care system."

Vic Gouthro, whose son has Type-1 diabetes

healthier now than he was when he was first diagnosed.

"He lives very healthy because he eats properly and exercises," he said.

According to Vic, approximately two million Canadians have some form of diabetes and many have the preventable type of the disease, Type 2.

That, he says, is why he's focusing his message on students and visiting schools as he travels around the Cabot Trail this week.

He said too many young people are not getting enough physical activity and are making poor

choices when it comes to what they eat.

"Because of the lifestyle that kids are living today," he said, "they're at a higher risk of developing Type 2 diabetes."

He noted the country is already spending billions to treat people with diabetes and complications from the disease.

"If we don't address it now, it's going to bankrupt the health-care system."

Vic will be accepting donations along the road over the next two days.

All the money Vic raises will go to fund diabetes research.

THE CAPE BRETON POST

Judge sets standard by giving independent dealer 32 months

Anyone convicted of trafficking in hard drugs such as cocaine can expect to be sentenced to more than two years in prison.

That was the message from provincial court Judge John MacDougall during the sentencing of Daniel Stuart Brown, a Truro man convicted of selling drugs out of his home while his family was there.

"If you set yourself up in your own business and traffic," the judge said, "as opposed to being a cog in the larger machinery, and you are doing the bidding of someone else, two to three years is what would otherwise be an appropri-

ate sentence," MacDougall said.

He rejected a joint recommendation from the Crown and defence lawyers for a two-year jail sentence.

Instead, he gave Brown 32 months.

Stuart, 22, of 114 Brookside Rd., Apt. 4, was arrested last November after police entered his residence with a search warrant.

They found him in possession of 20 grams of cocaine and 73 grams of marijuana.

He consequently was handed 60-day concurrent sentences for both the probation breach and the weapons charge.

He must also submit a DNA sample.

A co-accused, Amanda Helen Finn, 24, of the same address, had similar charges against her stayed by the Crown.

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What they found

- In addition to marijuana and cocaine, police also seized a set of scales, a grinder for processing the drugs, score sheets, other drug paraphernalia
- Police also seized a spike ball, which is a medieval type of prohibited weapon.

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If you were involved in an adoption in Ontario, you need to know about an important change to your information and privacy rights.

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If you want your identifying information to be kept private, **you should file a disclosure veto before June 1, 2009.**

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The Supreme Court reinstated a \$1.5-million award against Don Delamont, a manager who left RBC Dominion Securities in Cranbrook, B.C., without warning in 2000 to join an office of Merrill Lynch Canada. The award is what the Cranbrook RBC office expected Delamont to have earned over five years. **REUTERS**

Canada

Harper's Etobicoke home

Jane and Larry Corke's home, left, on Princess Anne Crescent in Etobicoke, Ont., happens to be the house in which Prime Minister Stephen Harper spent his adolescence. The house has brought the family some interesting times, including finding a graduation photo of the prime minister (returned to Harper's parents) and a visit from the PM himself. "I'd say he was almost shy," Jane says. "Pleasantly so."

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Ottawa High profile help



Former prime minister Paul Martin, left, and Liberal candidate for Ottawa West-Nepean David Pratt, centre, greet a young shopper at an Ottawa mall yesterday. As the election draws high, several federal candidates in Ottawa recruited some high-profile help for their campaigns yesterday.

TRICKY TOWN/METRO CANADA

New listeria findings no surprise, CEO says

Four new cases found in Toronto Maple Leaf plant

Maple Leaf Foods Inc. CEO Michael McCain said yesterday it was not surprising to find listeria bacteria lingering in a Toronto Maple Leaf meat plant whose products have been linked to at least 20 deaths in a food-poisoning outbreak.

"Listeria exists in 100 per cent of all (meat) plants, and it is impossible to eliminate

"Listeria exists in 100 per cent of all (meat) plants."

Michael McCain, CEO

it," McCain told reporters, noting the company sanitizes its plants for six to eight hours a day to reduce the risk of the bacteria con-

taminating food at levels high enough to cause illness or death.

Maple Leaf, one of Canada's largest meat processors, and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency announced late Wednesday that four samples of meat products at the plant had tested positive for the bacteria.

REUTERS

Crash claims pilot, military photographer

EXERCISE The pilot and military photographer aboard a CT-114 Tutor are dead after their plane crashed just outside of Moose Jaw, Sask., yesterday afternoon.

The plane crashed two kilometres northwest of the 15 Wing Base, where it was stationed and reportedly conducting a training exercise.

Both of the dead are Canadian, though the names were not released by press time.

The crash is under investigation.

METRO NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

FATALITY A Regina man who police said was wielding an axe has died in hospital from an apparent cardiac arrest after he was subdued using pepper spray, CBC News Online reports.

B.C. Burnaby RCMP are investigating a report of a possible sexual relationship between a female teacher and male student at an independent Catholic high school. RCMP said

the investigation is in its primary stages. RCMP are not releasing the ages of those involved, nor the dates when the alleged incident took place.

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Scientists urge action

An open letter signed by 85 Canadian scientists yesterday urges politicians to end what they see as the "politicization" and "mistreatment" of science. The scientists represent various fields, including health, environment and technology.

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Election 2008

Support

Green candidates back Liberals

QUEBEC Despite a declaration by Green party Leader Elizabeth May earlier in the campaign that she had no deal to throw support behind the Liberals on the final stretch, two Quebec Green candidates yesterday asked their supporters to back their Liberal competitors.

The two candidates, Danielle Moreau in the riding of Longueuil-Pierre-Boucher, and Claude Gaumond of Montmagny-l'Islet-Kamouraska-Rivière-du-Loup, apparently didn't know what the other was planning, with Moreau saying she only learned of Gaumond's decision from the Toronto Star.

The support for the Liberals is sure to fuel speculation there has been a deal rumbling between the parties since the outset of the campaign.

Both May and Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion have said there is no deal, other than the leaders' courtesy arrangement not to run competing candidates in each others riding. Prime Minister Stephen Harper predicted early on that May would endorse the Liberals in the campaign's last days.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

4 days remain until the 2008 Canadian federal election



Trinity Thibeault, 5, daughter of Sudbury NDP candidate Glenn Thibeault, keeps a close eye on NDP Leader Jack Layton yesterday as he speaks at Sudbury's Science North.

NDP claims momentum

LAYTON Stalled in the polls with the surging Liberals siphoning off support, NDP Leader Jack Layton refuses to accept his third-place party isn't poised to win new seats across the country.

"Everywhere I go I see NDP momentum," Layton, who has been crisscrossing the country, meeting mainly with party supporters, said yesterday.

"Everywhere we've gone the crowds are keen and enthusiastic and they are charging out to talk to other voters. I've got to

"I've got to tell you, as far as I can tell, as the skipper of this particular ship, there is a lot of wind in our sails."

Jack Layton

tell you, as far as I can tell, as the skipper of this particular ship, there is a lot of wind in our sails."

The New Democrats went into the election campaign with high hopes of adding many seats to the 30 they already have in the House of Commons, but the polls shows potential votes are

drifting to the Liberals.

Even now, with just four days left, Layton refuses to give up on his opening line that he is running to be prime minister, and he says he will continue to do it "right through to election day when Canadians make their decision."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Double, double, toil & trouble, PM conjures up scary image

CONSERVATIVE "Prime Minister Dion." With those three words, uttered three times in a news conference, Prime Minister Stephen Harper hardened his political message, hoping to move critical voter support in the final stretch of the campaign.

The Conservative leader conjured up what he believes Canadians will see as a scary prospect: The image of Stéphane Dion in government.

It's not the only change Harper is making to his message.

Charged with having an empathy deficit after he suggested there were "great buying opportunities" in the falling stock markets, Harper now invokes his mother's stock market worries, and even his son's advice from a teacher for

"when something bad happens: Stop, breathe, think."

Last night in Winnipeg, Harper moved quickly to exploit what the Tories said is a damning, embarrassing piece of tape on Dion.

A broadcast

interview showing Dion struggling in English to grasp a question about the economy shows the Liberal leader is unfit to

lead the country, Harper said last night.

The party arranged for a TV so party officials and the travelling media could view the scene.

Then the campaign delayed its flight and the prime minister met reporters to say the fact Dion could not grasp a simple economic question betrays his inability to manage the economy.

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Noisy room

• Mark Dunn, a spokesperson for Dion, said it was noisy in the room and Dion, who divulged at the beginning of the campaign that he has a hearing problem, didn't understand the question.

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Highlights of the week's election campaign from Metro newsrooms across the nation

HALIFAX

Well, here's a shocker: Teens don't like negative campaigns any more than the rest of us. This week, high school students told Metro that Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion and Conservative PM Stephen Harper seemed "immature" during the leaders' debate because all they did was insult each other. Anybody listening? Let's hope so. A Metro Halifax/CTV poll suggests Defence Minister Peter MacKay — you know, the guy with the Raging Granny mom — is going to win his seat handily, despite the best efforts of Green

Leader Elizabeth May. There's still four days till election day, though, so let's not plan MacKay's victory party just yet. And, finally, Premier Rodney MacDonald said yesterday that the Liberals' Green Shift plan would cost us more than \$600 million before tax cuts. The Conservatives' environment plan is apparently great. Except MacDonald didn't know what it was.

MONTREAL

Fatima Houada-Pépin, the provincial representative for La Pinière county, jumped into the federal campaign Tuesday,

"Well, here's a shocker: Teens don't like negative campaigns any more than the rest of us."

asking the government to stop hesitating and start planning the reconstruction of the Champlain Bridge, which more than 130,000 motorists use every day, making it the most used bridge in Canada. Houada-Pépin argues that it costs \$30 million per year to keep the bridge in shape and that its expiry date is set around 2016. She would also like to see a train project be developed around the reconstruction of

the bridge.

OTTAWA

Conservative Leader Stephen Harper kicked off the final full week of campaigning on Monday in Ottawa, making a modest promise targeting parents, while the New Democrats continued to lavish attention on Gatineau last week. Speaking at a child-care centre in Ottawa, Harper promised a re-

-elected Conservative government would ensure the Universal Child Care Benefit would increase with inflation and promised to make the benefit tax-free for sole-support, single-income parents. The NDP have targeted Gatineau as one of "eight to 12" ridings it believes it can win in Quebec. All candidates were pulling out party heavyweights in Ottawa on Thursday: David Emerson, Sheila Copps and former prime minister Paul Martin all joined events in Ottawa as local candidates looked for an added push heading into Tuesday's election.

TORONTO

Election fever has gripped the GTA and recent events suggest temperatures are rising. The Canadian Auto Workers union organized a "Give Flaherty The Boot" protest (being Minister of Finance and Conservative MP for Whitby-Oshawa Jim Flaherty). Laid-off employees were among the demonstrators who left work boots outside the front door to Flaherty's campaign office Monday, accompanied by a sign saying, "These boots were made for working." A Flaherty spokesperson said the boots would be donated to the Salvation Army. Toronto also fell victim to an anti-Liberal wave of vandalism early this week, with more than 30 instances of political graffiti sprayed on houses and car brake lines being cut.

CALGARY

Calgary followed a national trend with more than 4,000 fewer people showing up to advance polls than the 2006 election. Protesters gathered in front of Calgary city hall Monday, decrying a lack of arts and culture support from Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his Conservative party. And former Calgary Northeast MP Art Hanger expressed dismay over the unravelling scrap between independent conservative candidate Roger Richard and official Conservative candidate Devinder Shory, guaranteeing a vote-splitting situation.

EDMONTON

Alberta and its vilified oilsands gained some new friends on the federal campaign trail this week: Jack Layton and Elizabeth May. Both left-leaning party leaders made conciliatory advances toward Alberta and its dirty oil. Layton said he would leave alone existing plants in the oil region and concentrate on balanced, step-by-step growth of the resource in the future. May said despite her call for a moratorium on oilsands development she would not seek to immediately shut down existing plants.

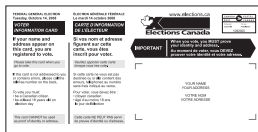
VANCOUVER

It was revealed this week that three B.C. federal candidates have declared bankruptcy in the past — one Conservative, one Liberal and one Green. While Canada's next ruling party won't be decided until Tuesday, Tory Lorne Mayencourt, Liberal Dan Olson and Green candidate Doug Perry will likely never be named finance minister.

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Chicago-area sheriff puts the brakes on foreclosure evictions

Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart halted evictions on foreclosed properties yesterday, saying innocent tenants were being put on the street and mortgage holders must be held accountable. But the Illinois Bankers Association trade group said Dart was ignoring the law and engaging in "vigilantism." **REUTERS**

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World

Le Clezio wins Nobel

French author Jean-Marie Gustave Le Clezio, a globe-trotting novelist hailed as a child of all continents, won the Nobel Prize in literature yesterday. The 68-year-old was honoured with the \$1.4-million US prize for his adventurous novels, essays and children's books. **REUTERS**

U.S. could reconcile with Taliban

Pentagon head says talks necessary, rules out negotiations with al-Qaida

The United States would be prepared to reconcile with the Taliban if the Afghan government pursued talks to end the war, U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates said yesterday.

But he said Washington would not consider any negotiations with al-Qaida.

Gates said reconciliation would be the political end to the conflict in Afghanistan, but it must happen on the Afghan gov-

ernment's terms and the Taliban must commit to subject itself to the sovereignty of the government.

"There has to be ultimately, and I'll underscore ultimately, reconciliation as part of a political outcome to this," Gates said after NATO meetings about the Afghanistan war.

"That's ultimately the exit strategy for all of us."

But Gates said reconciliation efforts could not include anyone belonging to

"There has to be ultimately, and I'll underscore ultimately, reconciliation as part of a political outcome to this."

Robert Gates

al-Qaida, the group that had claimed responsibility for the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks and the main target of U.S. counterterrorism efforts around the world.

"We have to be sure that we're not talking about any al-Qaida," he said.

Britain's military commander in Afghanistan, Brigadier Mark Carleton-Smith, and the top UN official in the country have said the war cannot be won militarily, and that talks with the Taliban will be crucial.

NATO commanders and diplomats have also said for some time that negotiations with the militants will be needed.

Afghan President Hamid Karzai said last week he had asked Saudi Arabia to mediate in talks with the insurgents and called on Taliban leader Mullah Omar to return to his homeland and make peace. But his plea was rejected by a senior Taliban leader. **REUTERS**

Obama nabs four-point lead over McCain: Poll

ELECTION Democrat Barack Obama has built a four-point lead over Republican rival John McCain in the race for the White House, aided by growing support from women and independent voters, according to a Reuters/C-SPAN/Zogby poll released yesterday.

Obama led McCain 48 per cent to 44 per cent among likely voters, up from a two percentage-point advantage for Obama Wednesday.

Obama expanded his advantage among independents to 13 points from nine and his lead among women grew to nine points from seven. He now leads or is even with McCain in all age groups except those above age 70.

"Obama seems to be doing well among the groups that he really needs, like women and independents," pollster John Zogby said. "McCain needs to do much better with them."

REUTERS

North Korea deploys missiles, shuts out UN

NUCLEAR North Korea deployed more than 10 missiles on its west coast apparently for an imminent test launch, a South Korean newspaper yesterday, and Pyongyang halted UN monitoring of its nuclear complex.

The potentially destabilizing moves followed reports the U.S. offered to remove North Korea from its terrorism blacklist this month in an effort to keep a nuclear disarmament pact from falling apart.

It would be an unprecedented test if all 10 of the surface-to-ship and ship-to-ship missiles were fired. Intelligence sources said they thought the North may launch five to seven.

North Korea has forbidden ships to sail in part of

the Yellow Sea until Oct. 15 in preparation for the launch.

The U.S. urged North Korea not to do anything, including launching missiles, that would make matters worse. "We would urge North Korea to avoid any steps that increase tension on the peninsula," State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said. "What they have done thus far is reversible. They can take a different set of decisions. We urge them to do so."

The halt to UN monitoring within the Yongbyon nuclear complex was a major step toward scrapping the pact to dismantle its atomic bomb program, UN officials and diplomats said.

REUTERS

Sierra Leone Paradise lost



Harriet Turay, 35, stands in front of what remains of her Harris Beach Bar and Restaurant in Freetown on Wednesday. Demolition teams wielding axes and machetes this week smashed up popular beach bars as part of an improvement scheme to develop tourism in Sierra Leone's capital. The Ministry of Tourism and Culture says the beach bars, where aid workers and families relax and play in the sand, contribute to environmental degradation and are an eyesore. Bar owners say they have not been consulted or offered compensation.

China pushes U.S. for 'terror suspects' in Guantanamo

PRISON China yesterday pressed the United States to hand over 17 Chinese Muslims held at Guantanamo, describing the men as terror suspects who must face the "sanction of the law."

The 17 have been held at the military prison on a U.S.-controlled part of Cuba since being captured during the U.S.-led campaign in Afghanistan in 2001. They are now caught in a tug-of-war between the Bush administration, U.S. courts and Beijing.

Beijing has long called for the 17 men and other Uighurs earlier released from Guantanamo to be re-

Continued capture

• The U.S. military no longer considers the Uighurs enemy combatants, but they have remained at Guantanamo because the United States has been unable to find a nation willing to take them.

turned to China, where they are accused of security crimes.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Qin Gang repeated that demand and said the men were members of the East Turkestan Islamic Movement, a UN-listed group accused of terrorism.

"Through various channels we have presented our solemn stance and de-

mands to the U.S. side," Qin said.

"We hope the U.S. will take this seriously and repatriate to China as soon as possible these 17 terror suspects."

Washington has said it cannot return the men to China because they would face persecution there. Qin rejected the possibility the 17 men could be tortured if they return. **REUTERS**

U.S. Clock ticking on debt



The National Debt Clock, a billboard-style sign, is seen near Times Square in New York City. The sign, which was installed by a late Manhattan real estate developer, has run out of digits to show the growing number and has had the dollar sign replaced by the figure "1" to count above \$10 trillion.

News in brief

THAILAND A Court of Appeals judge watered down treason charges against nine leaders of the People's Alliance for Democracy campaign yesterday, instead issuing new warrants for public order offences. The original arrest orders came Aug. 27, when the group stormed the prime minister's compound.

PERU President Alan Garcia's entire cabinet will offer to quit in a corruption scandal over oil concessions, Prime Minister Jorge del Castillo said. The former mines and energy minister, Juan Valdivia, has already been forced to quit along with two other energy officials. Audio tapes emerged this week linking members of his party to a plan to steer petroleum contracts to favored bidders in exchange for bribes.

RUSSIA Russian officials have banned two gay rights demonstrations in the city of Tambov, thwarting the efforts of local activists. Officials said they had received numerous letters and phone calls from townspeople, urging them to forbid the demonstrations as an offence to the city's traditions. **REUTERS**



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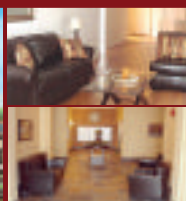
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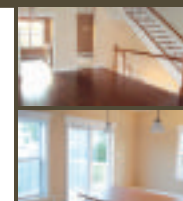


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Business

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Outrage over banks' partial cut

RATE CUT The move by banks to pass along to consumers only half of the Bank of Canada's half-point interest-rate cut to 4.5 per cent amounts to a "callous cash grab," the Consumers' Association said yesterday.

"Outrage" is building across the country, as the group received more than 100 calls from angry Canadians. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Credit tightening in Canada

Whether you're a small-business person or someone looking to buy a car or a home, it's getting harder to get credit in Canada.

Toronto mortgage broker Ranjit Dhaliwal says credit is "most definitely" tightening, noting he's turning down many prospective home buyers because they don't qualify for a mortgage. He's also seen a 50 per cent increase in defaults in

the last three months.

Small-business owners are also bracing for tough times. A new survey says 25 per cent of small businesses are having problems accessing financing this month, up from 18 per cent in September.

Bank of Montreal, for example, has "tweaked" its lending, especially in "high-risk" sectors, one employee said. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Sure-bet banks

- Canada has the world's soundest banking system, according to a survey of 134 countries by the World Economic Forum. Balance sheets and the possibility of requiring bailouts or insolvency were all considered.
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China Rural economy helps out



A group of Chinese children stand in line in front of the Great Hall of the People, the venue of the third plenary session of the 17th Central Committee of the Party, in Beijing. A Chinese Communist Party conclaves this week will launch land reforms and rural spending initiatives as the government turns to the nation's vast countryside to help bolster the economy.

Business in brief

AUTO The global auto market may experience an "outright collapse" in 2009 under credit market restructuring, fewer leasing options and declining vehicle equity, as well as slower sales in Europe, India and China, J.D. Power said, noting recovery is 18 months off. **REUTERS**

PENSION Stock market plunges have Canadians worried about the health of their pension funds, consulting firm Mercer said — it estimates assets fully-funded in 1998 could now pay out just 72 per cent of what was promised.

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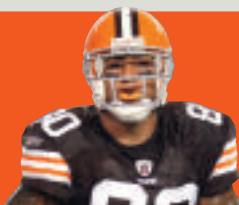
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Flyers put Hatcher, Parent on IR

The Philadelphia Flyers placed defencemen Derian Hatcher and Ryan Parent on the injured reserve list yesterday. Hatcher is out indefinitely with a right knee injury that could possibly end the 36-year-old's career. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Sports



Winslow misses practice

Cleveland Browns starting tight end Kellen Winslow, left, missed yesterday's practice with an undisclosed illness. The Browns, coming off a bye, are unsure of Winslow's availability for Monday night's tilt against the New York Giants. The Miami-Florida product has recorded 19 receptions for 170 yards and a touchdown thus far for 1-3 Cleveland. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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NLCS rivalry renewed

Fierce opponents in '80s, Phillies down L.A. in opener

BASEBALL RECAP**Phillies 3 Dodgers 2**

Chase Utley and Pat Burrell each hit a homer in the sixth inning, as the Philadelphia Phillies came back to edge the Los Angeles Dodgers, 3-2, in Game 1 of the National League Championship Series.

Cole Hamels (1-0) gave up a run in the first inning, but settled down to throw seven solid frames. The left-hander gave up two runs on six hits and a pair of walks, and struck out eight for the Phillies, who are making their first NLCS appearance since 1993.

Utley, Burrell and Carlos Ruiz each notched a pair of hits for Philadelphia, which reached the NLCS after beating Milwaukee in four games in the Divi-



Philadelphia Phillies Pat Burrell, left, slaps hands with teammate Geoff Jenkins after hitting a solo run home run against the Los Angeles Dodgers during the sixth inning in Game 1 of Major League Baseball's NLCS playoff series in Philadelphia, yesterday.

sion Series.

Manny Ramirez collected two hits and a run batted in for the Dodgers, who are in their first NLCS

since 1988 — a time that a National League Championship Series between the Los Angeles Dodgers and Philadelphia Phillies was a

regular event. Game 2 of this best-of-seven series is scheduled for tonight back at Citizens Bank Park.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Woman likely to join baseball's GM ranks

York Report**Marty York**

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A 39-year-old woman ranks as the leading candidate to become the new general manager of the Seattle Mariners.

Kim Ng, assistant GM of the Los Angeles Dodgers, would make major history if she is indeed hired. No woman has run an MLB club before, but the word on Ng around the big leagues is that she is irrefutably qualified. She served in the front office of the Chicago White Sox before being appointed assistant GM of the New York Yankees in 1997. She also worked at AL headquarters in New York.

She joined the Dodgers in 2001 and became the top lieutenant of GM **Ned Colletti** in 2005.

"I'd hate to lose her," Colletti told me, "but it would be unfair to even try to hold her back. She'll be an outstanding GM, I'm sure. The time has come for a woman to join the fraternity."

While the Dodgers confront the Philadelphia Phillies in the NL Championship Series this week, Ng will be meeting Seattle chiefs about their vacant position.

Among the other Mariners candidates, by the way, is **Tony LaCava**, assistant GM of the Blue Jays.

"But, as far as his chances in Seattle, Tony isn't even in the same ballpark as Kim

is," an MLB source told me. "The only way Kim doesn't get this job is if she comes across foolishly in her interviews, and there's no way that'll happen because she's extremely sharp."

• Ng, incidentally, wouldn't be the first female GM in major professional sports. That is, if you count the CFL as a major professional sport.

In 1989, **Jo-Anne Polak** was hired as the GM of the CFL franchise that used to be in Ottawa.

Speaking of the CFL, please visit metronews.ca/cflreport for my latest picks and nuggets on the league.

• And, speaking of baseball GMs, the Tampa Bay Rays' **Andrew Friedman** is a shoo-in as MLB's top executive this season. The Rays opened their schedule with the second-lowest payroll (\$43.8-million US) in the big leagues, and here they are, facing the Boston Red Sox in the ALCS.

Friedman, 31, is quite the story. He's a former investment analyst who thinks economically first but simultaneously leans on his experienced aides, including former Houston Astros GM **Gerry Hunsicker**, for their baseball acumen.

Friedman signed **Carlos Pena** and **Eric Hinske**, who combined for 51 home runs this season, to puny minor-league contracts before giving them respectable raises.

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P.E.I. at Baie-Comeau, 8:30
Quebec at Chicoutimi, 8:30
Shawinigan at Rouyn-Noranda, 8:30

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Tampa Bay vs. Boston
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Philadelphia vs. L.A. Dodgers
LAST NIGHT'S GAME

Philadelphia 3 L.A. Dodgers 2

TONIGHT'S GAME

L.A. Dodgers at Philadelphia, 5:35

SUNDAY'S GAME

Philadelphia at L.A. Dodgers, 9:22

MONDAY, OCT. 13

Philadelphia at L.A. Dodgers, 9:22

(Philadelphia leads series 1-0)

NHL**LAST NIGHT'S GAMES**

Toronto 3 Detroit 2

Boston at Colorado

Calgary at Vancouver

Anaheim at San Jose

TONIGHT'S GAMES

N.Y. Islanders at New Jersey, 8

Chicago at N.Y. Rangers, 8

Florida at Carolina, 8

Montreal at Buffalo, 8:30

Washington at Atlanta, 8:30

Nashville at St. Louis, 9:30

Columbus at Dallas, 9:30

CFL**WEEK 16****TONIGHT'S GAMES**

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MONDAY'S GAMES

Hamilton at Montreal, 2

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NFL**WEEK 6****SUNDAY'S GAMES**

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Miami at Houston, 2

Detroit at Minnesota, 2

Oakland at New Orleans, 2

St. Louis at Washington, 2

Cincinnati at N.Y. Jets, 2

Baltimore at Indianapolis, 2

Carolina at Tampa Bay, 2

Jacksonville at Denver, 5:05

Green Bay at Seattle, 5:15

Dallas at Arizona, 5:15

Philadelphia at San Francisco, 5:15

New England at San Diego, 9:15

MONDAY'S GAME

N.Y. Giants at Cleveland, 9:30

CIS SPORTS

TOMORROW'S GAMES

Mount Allison at Concordia, 2

Acadia at Sherbrooke, 2

McGill at St. Francis Xavier, 2

Montreal at Saint Mary's, 2

Sports in brief

NFL The Dallas Cowboys won't discipline cornerback Adam Jones after he was involved in an altercation with a personal security guard at a Dallas hotel early Wednesday morning.

NHL The San Jose Sharks yesterday released forward Jeff Friesen from his tryout contract.

NHL The Pittsburgh Penguins acquired forward Mike Zigomanis from the Phoenix Coyotes yesterday in exchange for future considerations.

NHL The Columbus Blue Jackets placed centre Manny Malhotra on injured reserve yesterday.

NFL Denver Broncos tight end Tony Scheffler will not play in Sunday's contest against the Jacksonville Jaguars with a groin injury.

NFL Tampa Bay Buccaneers quarterback Brian Griese missed practice for the second straight day with an elbow injury, which made Jeff Garcia the favourite to start under centre against the Panthers Sunday. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



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DIRECTIONS: 1) PREHEAT oven to 350°F. Combine dressing, broccoli, peppers, Parmesan cheese and 1/2 cup of the mozzarella cheese. 2) SPREAD into 1-L baking dish or 9-inch pie plate. 3) BAKE 20 to 25 min. Sprinkle with remaining 1/2 cup mozzarella cheese. Bake an additional 5 min. 4) BRACE yourself for unique flavour.





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Knotek leads the way

Forward scores game-winner in his first game of season

HOCKEY RECAP

Mooseheads 4 Tigres 2

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Tomas Knotek has spent all season in the press box, impatiently watching his team suffer through loss after loss.

Last night, he made his season debut and helped the Halifax Mooseheads out of a five-game slide.

Knotek, who missed the season's first 10 games with a groin injury, scored the game-winner with 9:05 remaining as his Halifax Mooseheads defeated the Victoriaville Tigres 4-2 in QMJHL action at the Metro Centre.

The goal came on a terrific individual effort, as Knotek curled off the end boards and swooped in front of Kevin Poulin before jamming it past the goalie's extended pad.

"It was funny because the shift before, (head coach) Cam (Russell) asked 'Are you tired?' And I said, 'Yes, a little bit,'" Knotek recalled. "He said, 'You'll be OK, you're getting bet-



Mooseheads goalie Mark Yetman makes a stop on a wraparound attempt from Victoriaville Tigres forwards Maxime Tanguay, centre, during last night's QMJHL game at the Metro Centre.

ter.' Then I scored that goal ... so it was satisfying."

Knotek, an 18-year-old left-winger and the Mooseheads' top returning scorer, also assisted on a Logan MacMillan empty-net goal with 47.8 seconds left on the clock.

He immediately helps relieve the pressure of young players such as rookie Ned O'Brien, who broke the goose egg and netted his first major junior goal in his 11th game.

"Knotek brought the ex-

citement back to the team ... We have a full lineup and we finally settled down and focused on the task at hand," said the 18-year-old O'Brien. "I can watch him and learn from him and as I gain more experience, it's going to flow better and hopefully I can get more points."

Not to be outdone, Mark Yetman turned in his best performance of the season by making 34 saves, including breakaway stops on Jonathan Bonneau and

Alexandre Labonte.

MacMillan added two assists and was the first star.

The Mooseheads, 3-8, host the Montreal Junior tonight at 7 p.m. before taking a six-day break for Thanksgiving.

Charles Bety netted Halifax's other goal ... Halifax native Alexi Pianosi scored one of Victoriaville's goals ... Yuri Cheremetiev, a 19-year-old forward expected to be a key player for Halifax, was a surprise healthy scratch.

Huskies facing their first big test

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AUS FOOTBALL The Saint Mary's Huskies know that sooner or later, only showing up for half a game is going to bite them.

That might happen sooner than later, with the Montreal Carabins visiting Huskies Stadium tomorrow at 5 p.m. for a Canadian Interuniversity Sport interlock football matchup.

The Huskies have sleepwalked through three consecutive first halves, Blair outscored 52-27, but have dominated second halves 85-17 and managed to sneak away with victories.

"We say every week we want to get it going early, but we really need to do it against a team like Montreal," Huskies running back Allistair Blair said. "If we don't play in the first half, a good team will definitely take advantage and bury us."

On paper, the Carabins

might not look like much. They have a 2-3 record and aren't even in the national rankings. The Huskies, on the other hand, are 5-0 and sit third in the CIS top-10.

But Montreal's losses came against three nationally-ranked teams, including the powerhouse Laval Rouge et Or.

"They're better than their record," Huskies head coach Steve Sumarah said. "The biggest test of the year is this game. It's a good measuring stick for us. It's an opportunity to play a very athletic team and see where we stand."

The Huskies, who can clinch top spot in Atlantic University Sport with a win, have never beaten the Carabins. They lost 13-9 at home in 2006 and 39-11 on the road in 2005.

"We'd never won a game in Quebec before this year and we did that (against Bishop's)," Blair said. "Now's the chance to redeem ourselves and beat these guys. It's a big game."



Moose acquire Vlasanek for pick

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HOCKEY The Halifax Mooseheads are hoping Radek Vlasanek will help bolster their offence this season.

The Mooseheads acquired the 6-foot-3, 225-pound right-winger yesterday from the Bathurst Titan for a 2010 sixth-round pick and immediately put him on the top line with Logan MacMillan and Tomas Knotek.

Vlasanek, a native of

Vitkovice, Czech Republic, came highly recommended by Knotek, who is also from the Czech Republic, and Jakub Voracek.

He had 13 goals among 22 points in 65 games with Drummondville last season and two goals and an assist in eight games with the Titan this season.

"Tomas and Jakub knew about him and recommended him, and from what we saw from him in Drummondville, we thought he could bring us more goals up front," Mooseheads gen-

eral manager Marcel Pate-naude said. "He's a presence, he's got a really good shot, and he can put the puck in the net."

Vlasanek and Knotek are Halifax's two Europeans, the maximum allowed under CHL rules.

Voracek remains the team's property. Because he is on the Columbus Blue Jackets' opening-night roster. If he is sent down, the Mooseheads have a two-week window to get under the two-man European maximum.

Mooseheads attendance hits an all-time low of 5,271 fans

HOCKEY The Halifax Mooseheads' attendance slump continued last night with their lowest recorded single-game crowd.

The Mooseheads drew just 5,271 for last night's 4-2 win over the Victoriaville Tigres, setting an attendance low for the third time in the past four games at the Metro Centre.

On Sunday, only 5,506 showed up to attend a 7-3 loss to the Lewiston Maineiacs, while the previous Sunday, 5,714 were in the seats for a 4-2 loss to the Moncton Wildcats.

The QMJHL did not offi-

cially record single-game attendance prior to the 2003-04 campaign. Prior to this season, the smallest Mooseheads crowd on record was 5,768 set on Oct. 31, 2003, for a Shawinigan Cataractes visit on Halloween.

While attendance may be sliding somewhat, the Mooseheads were still comfortably in second in QMJHL attendance with an average of 6,310 coming into last night's game. That puts them second only to the Quebec Remparts, who are averaging a whopping 11,089 per game.

MATTHEW WUEST/METRO HALIFAX

Sports in brief

SOCCER Halifax City Coldwell Banker remains unbeaten at the Challenge Cup Canadian senior men's soccer championship. City battled to a 1-1 draw with P.E.I.'s Avondale Islanders yesterday in St. John's, N.L., and has a 1-0-1 record. They return to action today against the Alberta's Calgary Callies, who are vying for their fourth national championship in the past 10 years. In the Jubilee Trophy on the women's side, Halifax City Salty's didn't play yesterday. They take a 0-0-1 record into today's game against Newfoundland's Holy Cross.

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New superhero?

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Leo gets political

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Leonardo DiCaprio continues to impress with solid performances in socially conscious projects, much like he does in Ridley Scott's *Body of Lies*. In it, DiCaprio plays a CIA field agent who is tracking down a terrorist leader in the Middle East.

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James Marsden steals the show outright in *Sex Drive*.

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Body of Lies entertains, yet ...

Body of Lies

Director: Ridley Scott

Stars: Leonardo DiCaprio, Russell Crowe

Classification: 18A

Rating: ★★★★★

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Just like the recent thriller *Eagle Eye*, *Body of Lies* is banking on the notion that, through technology, an unseen power can control our every move.

In the case of director Ridley Scott's latest film, that omnipotent surveillance is set in the Middle East, where CIA field agent Roger

Ferris (Leonardo DiCaprio) is not only tracking down an Osama bin Laden-like terrorist leader, but he's doing so under the guidance of stay-at-home chief Ed Hoffman (Russell Crowe).

Observing Ferris's moves from the eyes of unmanned spy drones, Hoffman calls the shots over a Bluetooth in America while watching his kids play soccer. For Ferris, this disconnect is the perfect example of the problems in the Middle East: If those directing the war on terror cannot relate to the situation on the ground, how can they solve the quandary there?

I suppose that's the political point of the film, but

three-time Oscar nominee Scott (*Gladiator*) compromises too much for the sake of the action to really hammer that message home.

Instead, he creates a decent actioner, led by DiCaprio who continues to impress with solid performances in socially conscious projects. As for Crowe — who reportedly gained more than 20 kilograms to play the pudgy puppetmaster — well, there's only so much you can emot when you're pretending to be on the phone. Although entertaining, *Body of Lies* — like its cinematic brethren *Eagle Eye* — carries little legitimacy as an accurate lesson in real world politics.



Russell Crowe, left, and Leonardo DiCaprio star in *Body of Lies*.

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City of Ember

Director: Gil Kenan

Stars: Saoirse Ronan, Harry Treadaway, Bill Murray

Classification: PG

Rating: ★★★★★

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW It says a lot about the current state of our planet when two of the biggest family films of recent months have been set in post-apocalyptic worlds where humans have been forced to abandon the planet due to excessive pollution. Al Gore must be proud. Granted, *City of Ember* isn't as poignant or touching as Pixar's *Wall-E*, but then few films are.

Based on the novel by Jeanne Duprau, *City of Ember* is set in a world where a small community of humans have been living underground for generations, awaiting the day



Bill Murray, centre, stars in *City of Ember*, which is set in a world where humans live underground.

when the planet will be hospitable enough to return to the surface.

Of course, due to corrupt leadership — currently embodied by a potbellied mayor played by Bill Mur-

ray — none of the citizens know the master plan. It's up to two children (brilliantly played by Saoirse Ronan and Harry Treadaway) to uncover the mystery and save the city.

The plot is standard children's fantasy/adventure fare elevated by social and political commentary. Caroline Thompson's script suffers from having to condense a full novel into 90

minutes, but it is still one of the smartest children's screenplays in recent years.

Sophomore director Gil Kenan (*Monster House*) proves himself to be a ma-

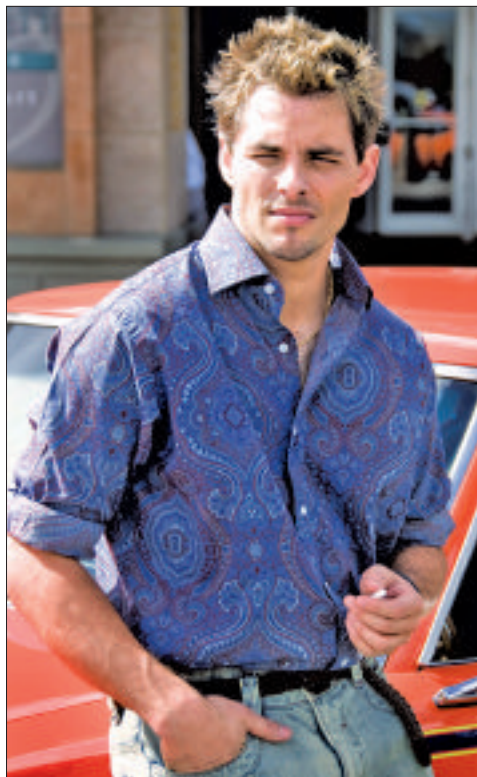
"It is still one of the smartest children's screenplays in recent years."

nor young talent with this movie, infusing it with a directorial style and confidence rarely seen in a filmmaker of such limited experience. Unfortunately, the movie probably won't reach the audience it deserves because it is simply too somber for the family-matinee crowd. While that tone is entirely appropriate for the subject matter, it won't pack theatres with birthday parties or sell happy meals.

That's unfortunate, because films this intelligent and well-crafted are rarely produced for kids. A little extra humour and exposition probably would have helped make this more palatable for the masses.

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James Marsden rose to fame in the X-Men franchise.

Marsden making his mark in sexy comedy

Actor steals the show in the raunchy teen flick Sex Drive

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada



Josh Zuckerman, star of the new raucous teen comedy *Sex Drive*, admits his favourite gags in the film are "anything to do with James Marsden."

In a wild movie that's filled with scenes including a rowdy Amish keg party and a showdown with police while wearing a doughnut costume, Zuckerman's endorsement shows how far Marsden has come as a comic actor since rising to fame as a serious superhero in the X-Men franchise.

Indeed, while Marsden has been lighting up such lighter fare as *Hairspray* recently, *Sex Drive* — in the

atres next Friday — marks the first film where he steals the show outright.

"I was sure hoping I would be (funny)," admits Marsden during a recent interview in Los Angeles.

"It was kind of a leap of faith. Like you go, 'Either this is going to be a career-ender, or people are going to really like it and find it funny.'"

In the movie, Marsden plays Rex, the taunting and cocky brother to Zuckerman's Ian — a young virgin who sets out on a road trip in order to meet a sexy sure thing he met on the Internet.

A modern twist on the teen comedies of the '80s, it's perhaps no surprise that Marsden's character is one of the most obnoxious

"Either this is going to be a career-ender, or people are going to really like it."

James Marsden on his comedic performance

jerks on film since Bill Paxton offered Anthony Michael Hall a "greasy pork sandwich served in a dirty ashtray!" in John Hughes's *Weird Science*.

"In the teenage years, everybody feels like they're the anomaly, like they're the freak," says Marsden of the teen comedy genre's broad appeal.

"I certainly felt that way so all movies like this sort

of got (me) through it. Vicariously through John Hughes, I was getting some action."

While Marsden has been receiving accolades for the fearlessness of playing a jerk, he insists that it's harder work acting in more sobering projects like his next film, a psychological thriller called *The Box*.

"If I were to do live comedy and stuff like that, that would be tough but this, you have a big old safety net," says Marsden.

"You can mess up and not be funny and know it's going to get cut out of the movie."

"But I find it more difficult to expect somebody to really take you seriously."

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Express a typical sports movie

Tells the story of Heisman winner Davis

RICK MCGINNIS
Metro Canada

Like Ken Burns documentaries, sports movies have become a place where Americans try to talk about race with a regretful glance backwards and an optimistic one forward — if only we could say the same thing about election campaigns.

It's also a movie genre that has become as codified and predictable as horror films.

Like so many of its predecessors, Gary Fleder's *The Express* is based on a true story, sets up its protagonist, his allies and antagonists with ritual care, features a few game sequences heavy on the careening, quick-cut camera work, and ends with the customary series of end titles to let us know what happened after the credits roll.

The Express

Director: Gary Fleder
Stars: Rob Brown, Dennis Quaid
Classification: PG
Rating: ★★★

It's the story of Ernie Davis, the first African-American winner of the Heisman Trophy, back when everything blacks did — in music or films or sports — became part of the public face of the civil rights struggles of the late '50s and early '60s.

Davis's great skill was as a running back, Jim Brown's successor as Syracuse University's star, and a name that probably would have been as iconic as Brown had he not died of Leukemia just after signing with the Cleveland Browns.

Rob Brown plays Davis as a natural talent with a moral compass, increasing-

ly motivated to use his talent to represent and encourage the aspirations of young blacks, and Fleder doesn't get in the way of letting this become the film's engine.

Dennis Quaid plays the coach of the Syracuse Orangemen, a white man willing to overlook colour if it helps him win games, but unwilling to push too hard against the dangerously unstable racial edifice inside and outside the game.

There's nothing new happening in *The Express* that challenges sports film convention, and more than enough high-minded sentiment to make watching the film feel like a virtuous act, though we might have reached a point where we're exhausting the ability of a previous generation's struggle to give us the illusion and comfort of noble purpose today.



Dennis Quaid portrays the Syracuse coach in *The Express*, which is based on a true story.

German filmmakers out to prove we can laugh at the Nazis now

INDUSTRY A made-in-Germany Nazi satire which parodies 1981 submarine epic *Das Boot* will try to prove the Third Reich is no longer taboo terrain for German comedians.

In director Sven Unterwaldt's *U-900*, comedian Atze Schroeder stars as a German forced to flee Nazi Germany after being caught in flagrante with a Nazi bigwig's daughter, whose life he later manages to save by hijacking *U-Boot 900*.

The spoof, which premieres across Germany on Thursday, is not the first to take a tragicomic approach to the Nazis.

Last year, Jewish director Dani Levy's *My Fuehrer* — *The Truly Truest Truth* about Adolf Hitler, was panned by critics even though it had an unexpectedly strong box-office run.

The Hitler satire basked in massive media attention for weeks because of its tongue-in-cheek portrayal of Hitler as a drug-addicted bed-wetter.

Schroeder, a fast-talking former newsstand owner who recently became one of Germany's most popular standup comedians, said he was fully aware of the country's post-war trauma over the Holocaust. "Making Nazis look fool-

ish — that's something honourable for a comedian even in this day and age," Schroeder told German magazine *TV Spielfilm*.

"It's not a history lesson, but rather it's just a comedy about a guy who manages to get himself out of just about every possible jam you could imagine."

Weaned on 60 years of guilt and shame for the Nazi crimes of their grandparents, Germans long equated history with pain and filmmakers avoided any dramatic treatment of their own 20th century past. The Nazi era was left to documentary filmmakers.

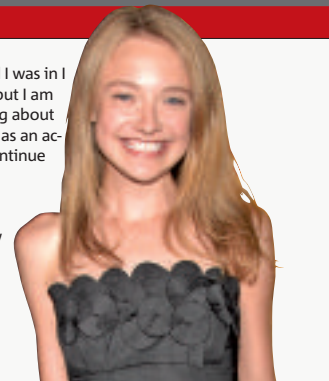
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Quote of the week

"The first time that everyone saw me, I was in six and I was in 1. Am Sam and now I'm 14. So I think that's inevitable, but I am getting older. I am growing up and I can't do anything about that. I have to do what I feel is right for me and grow as an actress. I have to do that no matter what, if I want to continue doing this, and I do."

Dakota Fanning, who stars in next week's *The Secret Life of Bees*, talking about audiences having difficulty seeing her growing up and taking more mature film roles.

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Sailing doc looks at long journey

Disney filmmakers have personal interest in story on the high seas

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The more than 4,000-kilometre Transpac sailboat race from Los Angeles to Hawaii is grueling enough for seasoned sailors, but Roy Disney wanted to see how a group of college-aged kids would deal with the brutal weeklong journey across the Pacific Ocean.

A sailboat racing veteran — his own boat held the race record from 1999 to 2005 — he's also the former vice-chairman of Disney and knew that the journey would make a great movie.

Along with executive producer Leslie DeMeuse, Disney had to find a boat, put together a sailing crew, and get the gear to capture it all — through rough seas and dark nights — during the non-stop race.



Eleven college-aged kids sailed in the Transpac race as part of a new documentary from Disney.

Even now that the film, *Morning Light*, is being released in theatres next Friday, he's amazed that they were able to pull it off.

"We were anticipating the likelihood that the first couple of days of that race

is usually hard, upwind, pounding kind of sailing, with a lot of water in the boat and bailing the bilge out constantly and everyone dripping wet," said Disney.

"If you stick your head

out of the hatch you get it right in the face, and if you do that with a camera it's bye-bye."

Like Disney, DeMeuse has spent years sailing, and says that her introduction to the sport was part of her

"It feels so good to be part of it and to be out on the ocean. You get addicted to it."

Jesse Fielding

inspiration for *Morning Light*.

"When I crossed the ocean when I was 16, I had a very small world with my friends, and my father dragged me on that boat kicking and screaming, but it was worth every kick and scream that I did, because it really opened up my whole world," she said.

Kit Will, one of the 11 young people who eventually sailed the *Morning Light* across the Pacific, has been on boats since he was a toddler, and describes the appeal of sailing in simple but resonant terms.

"For me, from the beginning when I was a little kid, it was a lot about freedom and the independence of being out there in your little dinghy," said Will.

"And it is actually free. The lessons you learn being out there on your own about self-reliance, even if you're with a team, are really important."

Fellow crewman Jesse Fielding is just as clear about what drew him into sailing, and describes it with palpable enthusiasm.

"It's like going camping with your family, it's like working on your car with your dad, it's like wrestling with your brother, it's like building a couch fort castle," said Fielding.

"It's like all of those things in one experience."

"It feels so good to be part of it and to be out on the ocean. You get addicted to it."

Eight short films vie for documentary Oscar

AWARDS The assassination of Martin Luther King, Cesar Chavez's grape boycott, gay men in China and historian David McCullough are among the subjects of the films vying for Oscar nominations for best documentary

short subject. The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences released a shortlist of eight titles. Three to five of them will be named when nominees in all the categories are announced Jan. 22.

The films making the cut

are: *The Conscience of Nhem En*, David McCullough: *Painting With Words*, *Downstream*, *The Final Inch*, *Smile Pinki*, *Tongzhi in Love*, *Viva la Causa*, and *The Witness From the Balcony of Room 306*.

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Movie morsels

Beverly Hills Chihuahua

REVIEW These days, it seems Hollywood producers are all wondering the same thing: If my dog could speak, what would it say? Well, Beverly Hills Chihuahua is the latest talking animal flick to heed that query and — according to one cheeky chihuahua at least — the answer is, "Oh no she didn't!" Featuring the voices of Drew Barrymore, Andy Garcia and other celebs, Chihuahua is a harmless

"tail" (Ha!) about a snooty, rich lapdog that gets lost in Mexico and must journey back to Rodeo Drive. Along the way, she encounters a mélange of muttering mutts and an annoying animated rat-iguana duo that, in the end, teach us life lessons.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Blindness

REVIEW Based on the acclaimed book by Nobel laureate Jose Saramago, Blindness was deemed unfilmable. Well that was until multi-talented Canadian

actor/writer Don McKellar got his hands on it. The story of a city besieged by a strange disease that causes everyone to suffer a "white blindness," this film is part-allegory, part-dystopian drama. Simply put, as everyone except Julianne Moore loses their sight and are put in quarantine, society crumbles into chaos, violence and disarray not unlike we've seen in such fare as Lord of the Flies. At times, it makes for a harrowing suspense drama, and director Fernando Mereilles (The Constant Gardener) adds a notable

visual flair that will either evoke an impressive sense of dread or simply nauseate you.

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Flash of Genius

REVIEW

Flash of Genius isn't an easy movie to sell. It doesn't feature a major star, and it's about the guy who created the intermittent windshield wiper — not exactly the sort of invention that leaves most mouths gaping in awe. Set in the heyday of the automobile, Kinnear plays

Robert Kearns, an eccentric college professor who — after literally getting corked in the eye — invents a new wiper. When the Ford Motor Company shows just enough interest to get his prototype and steal the idea, Kearns must take on the auto giant to regain his dignity.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Ghost Town

REVIEW

If you don't know who Ricky Gervais is, Ghost Town is staring straight at you. Why? Well,

because this all-too-familiar romantic comedy is desperately aiming to expose the British comic sensation to a new audience. Gervais plays a selfish arse of a dentist named Pincus who, after a near-death experience, obtains the sole ability to communicate with New York City's ghosts — those who are walking around, waiting to earn their wings by completing unfinished business with their loved ones. Obviously, there's nothing entirely new about this film.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

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NICK & NORAH'S INFINITE PLAYLIST

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Soundtrack on Atlantic Records

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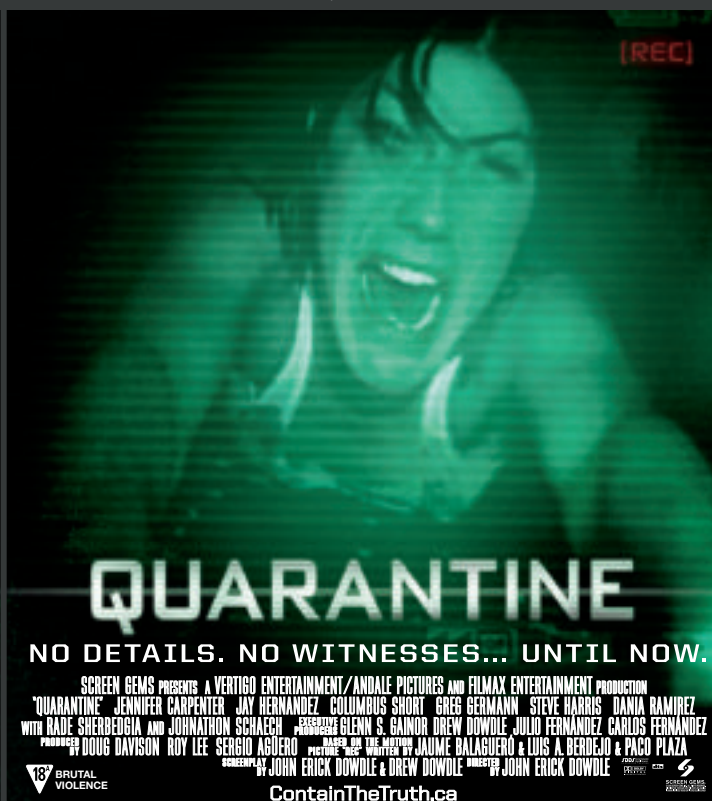
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Blindness (18) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4-6:40-9:35

Body of Lies (18) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:20-1:40-4:10-4:40-7:45-9:50

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Flash of Genius (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 1:35-4:50-6:30-9:20

How to Lose Friends & Alienate People (14) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 9:05

Igor (G) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 2

Lakeview Terrace (14) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 1:20-3:55-6:30

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Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:10-4:30-7:20-9:40

Nights in Rodanthe (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:45-7:15-9:40

Quarantine (18) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:50-4:30-7:30-9:45

Righteous Kill (14) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri-Thu 4:10-6:50-9:15

Sex Drive (14) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sneak Preview Sat 7

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The Dark Knight: The IMAX Experience (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:15-9

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Religulous (PG) Fri 6:45-9 Sat-Sun 2:6:45-9



Michael Cera and Kat Dennings star in Nick & Norah's Infinite Playlist, which is currently in theatres.

Mon-Thu 6:45-9

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Blindness (18) Stadium Seating Fri-Mon 12:40-3:25-6:20-9 Stadium Seating Tue-Thu 3:25-6:20-9

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The Metropolitan Opera: Salome (STC) Stadium Seating Sat 2

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Mon 1:20-4:20-9:50

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Miracle at St. Anna (18) Fri 7:30 Sat-Sun

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My Best Friend's Girl (18) Fri 6:50-8:55 Sat-Sun 2:20-6:50-8:55 Mon-Thu 6:50-8:55

Righteous Kill (14) Fri-Thu 6:45-9

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Cirque du Soleil: Delirium (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Wed 7

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Television



Ozzy Osbourne rocks out.

Guild blacklists Ozzy

The Writers Guild of America warned its members yesterday not to work on Ozzy Osbourne's new comedy-variety show at Fox.

The union says the show's producer, FremantleMedia North America, offered a "sub-standard contract" to work on "half-scripted" shows, which would greatly reduce their writing fees.

The writing on the show, with the working title of The Osbournes: Loud and Dangerous, would traditionally be covered under the guild's basic agreement, the WGA said.

But Fremantle, according to the WGA, wanted to

treat other portions of the show as "reality content," which would not be covered. Fremantle indicated it would be responsible for writing that part of the show. The WGA refused.

"Now it is clear that Fremantle's intention is to bring their low-cost, nonunion business model into traditional genres — first game shows, then comedy-variety," the WGA said in a letter to members, warning the "aggressive undermining of our contract" threatened to encroach on all writers.

Fremantle's David Shall, general counsel and executive VP of business opera-

tions, accused the WGA of waging a campaign of "defamation and negative propaganda." He says the WGA was contacted in good faith by Fremantle with the hopes of hiring WGA writers for the "non-traditional" show that mixes variety with reality TV.

Shall says the WGA broke off talks after "only a few phone conversations" and ordered its membership to not write for the show. The WGA denied that, saying Fremantle ended discussions. Only then did the union notify members.

REUTERS

Port leaves Hills for Big Apple

REALITY TV Whitney Port is running from The Hills — and she's headed to the Big Apple, People.com reports.

But there's no drama here: Port, who interned with Conrad at Teen Vogue and later helped her get a job at People's Revolution, is working her own MTV reality show, called The City, scheduled to air in the beginning of 2009, the network announced yesterday.

The new series will follow Port as she settles into

her job working for fashion designer Diane von Furstenberg. And the network promises new faces, new friends and new romance.

"I am thrilled and honoured to be in New York City," Port says in a statement. "Not only working for one of the most renowned fashion designers, Diane Von Furstenberg, but to be able to mature as a young woman both professionally and personally."

METRO NEWS SERVICES



Whitney Port

ABC Family taps Ruby, 10 Things

PILOTS ABC Family has picked up two half-hour pilots — 10 Things I Hate About You, based on the Heath Ledger film, and Ruby and the Rockits, starring David Cassidy and Spy Kids veteran Alexa Vega.

10 Things revolves around two sisters — a strong-willed feminist and a social butterfly — facing the challenges of starting out in a new high school.

The 1999 film, inspired by Shakespeare's The Taming of the Shrew, was directed by Gil Junger, who will shoot the pilot.

Ruby follows a former teen idol whose quiet life is disrupted when his brother and former bandmate shows up with a newfound teenage daughter. Both pilots will go into production this fall in Los Angeles.

REUTERS

Longoria may judge on Runway

REALITY TV Actress Eva Longoria has been lined up as a guest judge on the next season of Project Runway, imdb.com reports.

Longoria's cameo marks the show's move from New York to Los Angeles in a bid to bring more celebrities onto the program, the New York Post reports. Longoria was unavailable for comment.

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Duff joins new campaign

Actress Hilary Duff has joined ThinkB4YouSpeak, a new campaign from the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network designed to discourage use of the phrase "that's so gay" as an all-purpose putdown. **E! NEWS ONLINE**

Television

Election coverage followed by comic relief

Rick's TV Picks

Election Night

Season Premiere: Oct. 5
Network: various

Every channel will likely be covering this year's polls, though none of them will probably admit that they probably won't have the final tally before they have to give way to late-night syndicated shows and infomercials. If you're not a political junkie or a policy wonk obsessed with the ritual, the only way to make it interesting — there's a drinking game or three in here somewhere — is to compare how each network tried to make the



Stephen Harper

plodding process of exit polls and counting ballots seem like D-Day performed by the cast of Run Lola Run.

Rick Mercer's Election Special

Season Premiere: Oct. 14
Network: CBC

Rick Mercer is Canada's Jon Stewart, mostly due to a lack of competition, and like Stewart and Saturday Night Live, he has a civic duty to put on special election programming. Canada's political leaders have always been happy to play along with Mercer and his former colleagues at This Hour Has 22 Minutes, so Mercer's political satire always has a



Rick Mercer

coziness that's both utterly Canadian and occasionally regrettable.

Testees

Season Premiere: Oct. 14
Network: Showcase

This new comedy from Kenny Hotz of Kenny Vs. Spenny fame arrives packed with gleeful gross-out humour appropriate to the dayglo pun in its title

and the reliable presumption that two men together are infinitely more idiotic than one man alone. Two losers make rent money by selling themselves as drug-testing guinea pigs. The place to go if you want real comic relief from the night's political coverage.



Kenny Hotz

Glamour UK's Best Dressed 2008

Season Premiere: Oct. 13
Network: Star!

Shows like this are the TV equivalent of dusting a corn dog with Splenda — queasy-making and not even remotely good for you, but in the right frame of mind (sarcastic, verging on bilious) there's a sort of

vicarious sport to be had in wondering at the get-ups famous people will step out in, and the barbed admiration celebrity news shows will display at their combination of genes, gym time and shamelessness.

Rick McGinnis/Metro Canada



Kate Moss is said to be on the list.

TV execs already talking next season

IntelleVision



WORKING CLASS HERO: One sure sign that the current TV season has tanked is that network executives are already talking about the next one. Yesterday, the New York Post ran a story anticipating a revival of the near-flatlined sitcom in response to the second coming of the Great Depression that's supposed to be one more defaulted mortgage away.

According to the Post, the ladies and gentlemen in the offices with the view that doesn't look over the repo yard are even taking credit for anticipating the economic downturn months ago, which suggests that SEC might want to take a look at their portfolios for signs of conspicuous shorting of stocks.

"We anticipated that the economic times were not going to be as strong as they once were," said Ben Silverman, the NBC programming wunderkind who spent most of August in Beijing instead of preparing for his network's new season, "and so, after the writers'

strike, we consciously began development on a number of shows featuring working-class heroes."

"One thing that is definitely happening is, as the economic crisis has entered the zeitgeist, certain projects become more relevant and others less," said Jennifer Nicholson Salke, head of comedy and drama development at Fox Television. Just precisely what that means, however, depends on who's doing the interpreting.

Looking back to the Dirty Thirties, some execs are planning on filling the airwaves with escapist entertainment, or trying to spin their current roster of underperforming shows as killer apps for that turn in the zeitgeist. Kim Rozenfeld, senior VP of dramas at ABC, thinks that Dirty Sexy Money will be the place folks will go at the end of a long day in the headlines. "I don't think you'd find the Darlings suddenly brought to their knees financially because of the turn in the economic climate," he told the Post. "Dirty Sexy Money is a soap at heart, an escapist show. They are so fabulously wealthy that this is sort of like a hangnail to them."

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

FRIDAY

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prime time 10/10/08	31	31	31	ABC News (N)	ABC Wild News	Inside Edition	Chronicle	Wife Swap (N)	Supernanny (N)	2020 (N)		
	7	7	7	ASN The Road to Avonlea	Robson Arms	TMZ (N)	Wife Swap (N)	Doctor Who (N)	Don't Forget the Lyrics!	Stargate SG-1		
	11	11	11	CBC Coronation St.	Jeopardy! (N)	Air Force-Final	Rick Mercer	CBC News: The National	The Hour	NUMB3RS (N)		
	32	32	32	CBS News (N)	Evening News	Patriots	Entertainment	Ghost Whisperer (N)	The Ex List (HDTV) (N)	News (N)		
	6	6	6	CHIF Entertainment	ET Canada	Life "Not for Nothing"	Without a Trace	NUMB3RS (HDTV) (N)	The Ex List (HDTV) (N)	News (N)		
	9	9	9	CJCH etalk	Hollywood	Without a Trace	Without a Trace	Ghost Whisperer (N)	Supernanny (N)	News (N)		
	36	36	36	FOX MLB Baseball: NLCS	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Smarter Than a 5th Grader?	Don't Forget the Lyrics!	Fox First		
	12	12	12	NBC News	NBC News	Hollywood	Extra (N)	America's Toughest Jobs (N)	Deal or No Deal (iTV) (N)	Score Tonight		
spots	55	55	55	SCOR Hockey Talk	Game On	Poker Pacific Poker UK Open.	CFL Football Toronto Argonauts at Winnipeg Blue Bombers. (HDTV) (Live)					
	53	53	53	TSN Off the Record	SportsCentre	That's Hockey!	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	The Replacements ** (2000, Comedy)	CSI: Miami		
	16	16	16	A&E Cold Case Files		CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	Crouper ** (1998, Suspense)			
	70	70	70	APTN News	Mixed Blessing	First Nation	Rabbit Fall	The Rez	Larry King Live	South Park		
	37	37	37	BRVO Street Legal	Desperate Housewives	Desperate Housewives	Bravo! Fact	Beyond-Screen	Man vs. Wild (N)	Unresolved Hist.		
	49	49	49	COM Laughs	Comedy Now	Air Force	Good Morning	Corner Gas	Build a New Life	Relocation		
	18	18	18	CNN (5) The Situation Room	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Lou Dobbs Tonight	CNN Election Center	Greensburg Ice storm.	Opus Dei-Da Vinci Code	NCIS		
	38	38	38	DISC Cash Cab	How It's Made	Daily Planet (N)	House Hunters	Property Virgin	Johnson Family Vacation (2004, Comedy)	Cooper 360		
	34	34	34	HGTV Holmes on Homes	Blow Down	NCIS "Left for Dead"	House Hunters	Extreme Home	Crash Test Mommy (N)	End of Leash		
	46	46	46	HIST MTV's Top Pop Group	So You Think You Can Dance Canada	Monkey Shines *** (1988, Horror)	Secrets of the Freemasons	Secrets of the Freemasons	What Not to Wear (N)	Say Yes-Dress		
	17	17	17	MM (6:10) Murder at 1600	So You Think You Can Dance Canada	Monkey Shines *** (1988, Horror)	Secrets of the Freemasons	Secrets of the Freemasons	Cellular ** (2004, Suspense)	Kim Basinger.		
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	40	40	40	SLUCE Matchmaker	Til Debt-Part	End of Leash	ET Canada	Wedding SOS	What Not to Wear (N)	Say Yes-Dress		
	21	21	21	TLC What Not to Wear	Shopping Bags	Style by Jury	Will & Grace	Friends	Mediums	Mediums		
	22	22	22	W Shopping Bags	Style by Jury	Will & Grace	Friends	Mediums	Mediums	Mediums		
	27	27	27	YTV The Mighty B!	iCarly	Ella Enchanted ** (2004, Romance-Comedy)			Smallville	Dark Oracle		

SATURDAY

HA	H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
prime time 10/11/08	31	31	31	ABC College Football	Countdown	NASCAR Racing Sprint Cup -- Bank of America 500. (HDTV) (Live)						
	7	7	7	ASN The Road to Avonlea	Movie	NASCAR Racing Sprint Cup -- Bank of America 500. (HDTV) (Live)						
	11	11	11	CBC Sat. Report	Hockey Night	NHL Hockey: Regional Coverage -- Red Wings at Senators or Canadiens at Maple Leafs						
	32	32	32	CBS College Football	Entertainment Tonight	College Football LSU at Florida. (HDTV) (Live)						
	6	6	6	CHIF Disasters of the Century	The Road to Passchendaele	Turning Points of History	Kenny Spenny	Trailer Park	News (N)			
	9	9	9	CJCH W-FIVE	Friends	Friends	Cops (N)	Cops	Law & Order: SVU	News (N)		
	36	36	36	FOX Friends	Friends	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cops (N)	America's Most Wanted	Fox First		
	12	12	12	NBC News (N)	NBC News	Access Hollywood (N)	Celebrity Catwalk Challenge	Strikeforce	Knight Rider (HDTV) (N)	Law/Ord SVU		
	55	55	55	SCOR Sports Update	Footy Show	BodogFight	Strikeforce	Strikeforce	Score Update	Footy Show	X-Fighters	
	53	53	53	TSN SportsCentre	NASCAR Racing Sprint Cup -- Bank of America 500. From Lowe's Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C.	NASCAR Racing Sprint Cup -- Bank of America 500. From Lowe's Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C.						
	16	16	16	A&E (5) Any Given Sunday	CSI: Miami "Lost Son"	CSI: Miami "Lost Son"	CSI: Miami "Deviant"	CSI: Miami "Deviant"	CSI: Miami "Collision"	The Sopranos		
	70	70	70	APTN Tribal Treks	Music Speaks	MYTV	The Mix	Reiz Bluez "Blunty & Western"	CSI: Miami "Collision"	The Sopranos		
	37	37	37	BRVO Arts & Minds	Bravo! Videos	Live at the Rehearsal Hall	Jackie Richardson	Jackie Richardson	Duetti d'Amore			
	49	49	49	COM Laughs	Comics!	Just for Laughs	Corner Gas	Blue Collar TV	The Simpsons	South Park		
	18	18	18	CNN This Week in Politics	How It's Made	Lou Dobbs This Week (HDTV)	Special Investigations	Special Investigations	Larry King Live	Newsroom		
	38	38	38	DISC How It's Made	How It's Made	Mighty Ships "Maersk"	Monster Moves	Monster Moves	Vermintors	Criss Angel		
	34	34	34	HGTV Holmes on Homes	Colin & Justin's Home Heist	Colin & Justin's Home Heist	Sarah's House	Mansions	Million Dollar Listing	Extreme-Home		
	46	46	46	HIST The Real Treasure Island	NCIS "Heart Break"	NCIS "Heart Break"	Lost Worlds	Lost Worlds	The Last Temptation of Christ (1988)	Dance		
	17	17	17	MM Legally Blonde	Johnson Family Vacation ** (2004, Comedy)	Johnson Family Vacation ** (2004, Comedy)	Lost Worlds	Lost Worlds	Greek "Multiple Choice"			
	206	206	206	PIX (6:30) The Destructors	Spider-Man 2	TBA	Storm Cell (2008, Drama) Mimi Rogers.	Storm Cell (2008, Drama) Mimi Rogers.	Dances With Wolves (1990, Western)			
	39	39	39	SHOW Spider-Man 2	TBA	Storm Cell (2008, Drama) Mimi Rogers.	Storm Cell (2008, Drama) Mimi Rogers.	Storm Cell (2008, Drama) Mimi Rogers.	War of Worlds			
	40	40	40	SLUCE In Laws	In Laws	Til Debt-Part	Newlywed	BeauTiff People	Party Mamas	Tori & Dean: Home		
	21	21	21	TLC Moving Up (HDTV)	Chasing	First Daughter ** (2004, Romance-Comedy)	Katie Holmes, Marc Blucas.	Flip House	Over Designed	Property Ladder (HDTV)	Trading	
	22	22	22	W Chasing	First Daughter ** (2004, Romance-Comedy)	Katie Holmes, Marc Blucas.	Flip House	Over Designed	What a Girl Wants ** (2003, Comedy-Drama)			
	27	27	27	YTV Adrenaline	Mystery Hnt.	Wolverine	Transformers	Naruto	Blue Dragon	Zatch Bell (N)	Bleach	Storm Hawks

SUNDAY

HA	H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
prime time 10/12/08	31	31	31	ABC News (N)	ABC News	Funnest Home Videos	Funnest Home Videos	Extreme Makeover: Home	Desperate Housewives	Brothers		
	7	7	7	ASN Young Blades	Heartland "Letting Go"	60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Cold Case	Cold Case (HDTV) (N)	Mad Men		
	11	11	11	CBC Evening News	News (N)	60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Cold Case	Cold Case (HDTV) (N)	Mad Men		
	32	32	32	CBS renegeadepo	King of the Hill	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Cold Case	Cold Case (HDTV) (N)	Mad Men		
	6	6	6	CHIF Star Wars Clo.	Degrassi: Next	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Cold Case	Cold Case (HDTV) (N)	Mad Men		
	9	9	9	CJCH NFL Football: Cowboys at Cardinals	On Sidelines	Football Night in America	Football Night in America	MLB Baseball: NLCS Game 3 -- Phillies at Dodgers	Desperate Housewives	News (N)		
	36	36	36	FOX News (N)	On Sidelines	Football Night in America	Football Night in America	MLB Baseball: NLCS Game 3 -- Phillies at Dodgers	Desperate Housewives	News (N)		
	12	12	12	NBC News (N)	On Sidelines	Football Night in America	Football Night in America	MLB Baseball: NLCS Game 3 -- Phillies at Dodgers	Desperate Housewives	News (N)		
	55	55	55	SCOR (6) NFL Blitz	On Sidelines	Football Night in America	Football Night in America	MLB Baseball: NLCS Game 3 -- Phillies at Dodgers	Desperate Housewives	News (N)		
	53	53	53	TSN SportsCentre	CSI: Miami "Lost Son"	CSI: Miami "Lost Son"	CSI: Miami "Pro Per"	CSI: Miami "Payback"	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami		
	16	16	16	A&E (6:20) Major League	War of Worlds	Kink in Hair	The Guard (HDTV)	Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde (2008, Suspense)	Douglas Scott.	Weeds		
	70	70	70	APTN Spider-Man 2	War of Worlds	Kink in Hair	The Guard (HDTV)	Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde (2008, Suspense)	Douglas Scott.	Weeds		
	37	37	37	BRVO Mad Men "The New Girl"	Closer-Home	MYTV	Reiz Bluez "Blunty & Western"	Music Speaks	The Mix	Cobb ** (1994, Drama) Tommy Lee Jones.		
	49	49	49	COM Laughs	Comics!	Winnipeg Comedy Festival	Winnipeg Comedy Festival	Romantic Portrait Yundi Li	The Legend of Zorro (2005, Adventure)			
	18	18	18	CNN Lou Dobbs This Week (HDTV)	Newsroom	MythBusters	MythBusters	Special Investigations	Larry King Live	Newsroom		
	38	38	38	DISC Cash Cab	How It's Made	MythBusters	MythBusters	Colossal Squid (N)	Man vs. Wild (N)	MythBusters		
	34	34	34	HGTV Green Homes	Extreme Home	House Hunters	Buy Me	Property Virgin	Unsellable	Extreme Makeover: Home	Holmes-Homes	
	46	46	46	HIST Beyond The Da Vinci Code	DisBand	Greek	(8:15) I Walk the Line *** (1970, Drama)	The Da Vinci Code ** (2006, Mystery)	Tom Hanks, Jan McKellen.	So You Think You Can Dance Canada		
	17	17	17	MM (6:20) Major League	War of Worlds	Kink in Hair	The Guard (HDTV)	Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde (2008, Suspense)	Douglas Scott.	Weeds		
	206	206	206	PIX (6:20) Major League	War of Worlds	Kink in Hair	The Guard (HDTV)	Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde (2008, Suspense)	Douglas Scott.	Weeds		
	39	39	39	SHOW War of Worlds	Kink in Hair	The Guard (HDTV)	Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde (2008, Suspense)	Douglas Scott.	Weeds			
	40	40	40	SLUCE Inside Hollywood (DVS)	Vanity Insanity	Vanity Insanity	Vanity Insanity	Wedding SOS	Bulging Brides	Work Out	Biggest Loser	
	21	21	21	TLC Little People	Little People	Little People	Little People	Little People	Little People	Little People	Little People	
	22	22	22	W Shopping Bags	Hwd 10 Best	Grocery	Style by Jury	Intimate Strangers *** (2004, Drama) Fabrice Luchini.	Prank Patrol	(9:45) The Next Star "Finale"	Falcon Beach	
	27	27	27	YTV The Adventures of Sharkboy and Lavagirl ** (2005)								

Music

Oasis looking back in anger

Incident at Toronto festival overshadows release of new album Dig Out Your Soul

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for Metro Canada

While the recent attack on Oasis guitarist Noel Gallagher was bad — he broke three ribs after a 47-year-old man assaulted him at Toronto's Virgin Festival last month — bassist Andy Bell said things could have been worse.

"I saw Noel lying on the ground," he says on the phone from his London home. "I thought he had been stabbed."

At first Bell was in shock. He saw the crazed fan leap at singer Liam Gallagher after knocking Noel down, but three body guards quickly tackled the suspect. Although the band finished their set, they had to cancel a number of tour dates — includ-

ing ones in London, Ont., and Montreal — after they found out that the older Gallagher brother had broken bones.

Needless to say, Bell and the rest of the band aren't too pleased that they're sitting at home while their new record, Dig Out Your Soul, is hitting stores this week. "We're unbelievably angry about this," he says. "It's crazy, right now we should be doing dates, but we're not. This has thrown a huge bomb in the middle of our schedule. Apart from the fact it's something you don't do. You don't attack a man from behind."

Bell's not sure what will happen to the attacker, and he hasn't found out why Gallagher was hit, but the incident has made them rethink their large festival gigs. "This could have happened anywhere," he says, adding that the band is not holding a

grudge against Toronto, or Canada. "The problem for us was that it was a festival. That's the issue we're blaming for this. It's hard to say how we'll address it, but there are professionals who are looking at this and finding out how we can make things safer."

Although the band did finally resume touring this week in Liverpool, this setback has

made it more difficult to promote their album. It's too bad too as Dig Out Your Soul could be the band's best effort since their mid-90s heyday. The songs aren't as rocking as What's the Story Morning Glory, and they don't deviate much from their familiar Beatles-esque pop, but for the first time in a while the band sound like the are trying again.

It helps that every band member contributed at least a track to the record. Bell's respon-

sible for the upbeat rocker Nature of Reality, and while it's one of the less Oasis-like tracks on the album, making it a refreshing addition to the band's sound, it's not the song the bassist would have picked for the record.

"If we were going to for one track, I would have chosen a different one," he says, pointing out that he actually wrote a number of tunes, despite only one being picked. "Noel sets the tone of the album, then he goes back through

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bassist Andy Bell

the 60 or so songs we've got in a collective pile and he pulls out things that suit his head space So Nature made more sense with everything together."

While the soft spoken Bell has several more good tunes that might never see the light day, he's not upset — he just wants to get back on the road. "We're trying to get in the zone again. The worst thing was preparing to be so active and then not doing anything. We all feel a bit out of sorts, but in terms of playing, the music sounds brilliant."

Oasis' new album Dig Out Your Soul is now in stores.

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TOP 10 MOBILE DOWNLOADS

- 1 Whatever You Like T.I.
- 2 Just Dance Lady GaGa
- 3 So What Pink
- 4 Disturbia Rihanna
- 5 Kissed A Girl Katy Perry
- 6 When I Grow Up The Pussycat Dolls
- 7 My Life The Game
- 8 Hot N Cold Katy Perry
- 9 In The Ayer Flo Rida
- 10 A Milli Lil Wayne

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Phonograph captured political sound bites a century ago

SoundCheck

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Watching all the political debates this past week reminded me of a CD I recently acquired on a whim because it's almost too weird for words. It's a 22-track release of a presidential debate from — wait for it — 1908.

When Thomas Edison invented the phonograph, the last thing he was inter-

ested in was recording music. He envisioned the phonograph as a way to capture the words of great men and their great speeches for all time. In 1908, with Teddy Roosevelt not seeking a third term (he could have; it was legal back then), the Republicans nominated William Howard Taft while the Democrats countered with William Jennings Bryan for the third consecutive time.

When they met in a series of debates to discuss issues such as imperialism (Should America stay in the Philippines?), intervention into foreign lands (Are Christian missions any of our business?) and the recent collapse of the Ameri-

can financial system (The Panic of 1907), their addresses were recorded on Edison Talking Machines and distributed on Edison cylinders. In other words, 100 years ago, the media gave us our first political sound bites.

Edison cylinders were fragile things, but given their historical value, examples of the Taft/Jennings debates were preserved. And forgotten.

Enter a company from Champaign, Ill., called Archeophone Records. Since 1998, they've been lovingly preserving and re-issuing ancient sound recordings on CD. Each re-issue comes with thick, heavily-annotated booklets that put these recordings

into context from a social, artistic and political point of view.

The Taft/Jennings recordings are fascinating, but Archeophone also has releases that collect songs from the acoustic era of the music industry — the time before microphones, mixing boards and proper studios.

Lost Sounds: Blacks and the Birth of the Recording Industry, 1891-1922 is a window on some of the earliest blues and jazz recordings ever made. Before Radio: Comedy, Drama and Sound Sketches, 1897-1923 offers an idea of the kind of entertainment people would listen to on their Edison machines before anyone even knew

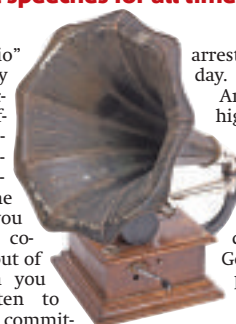
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what a "radio" was.

My favourite is Actionable Offenses: Indecent Phonograph Recordings from the 1890s. If you think today's comedians are out of control, then you need to listen to what as being committed to cylinder more than a century ago. Some of this stuff would get you

arrested even today.

Archeophone is highly recommended for people who want to know how the recording industry began. Go to archeophone.com



The Ongoing History of New Music can be heard on stations across Canada. Read more at exploremusic.com and ongoinghistory.com

Hip-hop competition to take place Nov. 15

The Danceoff Atlantic Canada's freestyle hip-hop competition is taking place Nov. 15 at St. Pat's Alexander School in Halifax. The event is open to all, with age brackets four to 12, 13 to 18 and 19 and over. Register by visiting www.thedanceoff.ca. **METRO HALIFAX**

Going Out

Nocturne to light up the night

First annual art festival will offer free installations, performances

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The excitement level is growing for those involved with Nocturne, as just eight days remain before this new event takes place.

At a press conference yesterday in Halifax, organizers announced the lineup and participating galleries for this first annual art-at-night festival, which will run between 6 p.m. and midnight on Saturday, Oct. 18.

Twenty-eight galleries in Halifax and Dartmouth are taking part in the event, which also includes almost two dozen public-art installations and performances throughout the city.

"I think it's really important that people in the city realize how much art actually exists here," said Nocturne co-chair Laura Carmichael. "There is just so much art in the city. We just needed a reason to showcase it all."

To help get people around to the galleries, the free event is offering walking tours at no charge departing from Grand Parade every two hours starting at 6 p.m. People can also take a free trip on one of two Metro Transit buses that will travel around to the galleries throughout the evening.

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Nocturne co-coordinator Laura Carmichael thinks this first-time event will help people realize and appreciate the amount of art that can be found in Halifax.

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special by having it at night," Carmichael said. "It's more of a reason to actually go out and do some-

thing, because it is a one-time limited event and you have six hours to go out and experience things."

On the web

• For complete details on Nocturne, including a list of the participating galleries, visit www.nocturnehalifax.ca

Carmichael didn't say how many people organizers hope to attract, but she does expect Nocturne to be

well-received.

Robin Metcalfe, the director of the Saint Mary's University Art Gallery, is in agreement.

"Some people find art galleries intimidating, and we want to break that down. This is a chance to make it into a party," Metcalfe said. "It's nice for people to realize that art can actually be fun."

Artist sees opportunity for everyone

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Scott Saunders feels the Nocturne art festival is a fantastic avenue for artists to show off their work.

The 29-year-old Halifax resident is participating in the event's public-art installation showcase by doing spotlight work on Blowers and Barrington streets during the night of Oct. 18.

"To see Halifax kind of stepping up to the stage and putting on their own vi-

visual-arts festival is a great opportunity for all local artists," Saunders said following yesterday's media conference announcing the lineup for Nocturne. "That's not only for this inaugural event, but for all the future endeavours that are going to come after this."

Saunders will be by his spotlight art during the six-hour event, and looks forward to hearing people's impressions.

"As an artist, there is no greater feeling than to see how your work is impacting individuals," he said.

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clubs

ARGYLE BAR AND GRILL: Jazz night on Wednesday. 1575 Argyle St.

BAY LANDING: Bruce Richard and Donny Donahue on Saturday, 354 Prospect Bay Rd.

BEARLY'S: Joe Murphy Band with Tiny Kennedy on Friday, Roger Howse Band on Saturday, Moonshine on Saturday matinee, Brad Conrad on Sunday, 1269 Barrington St.

BIG LEAGUES: Asia and Nu Gruve on Friday. 4 Forest Hills.

BOOMERS LOUNGE: Ten Mile House on Sunday. 1725 Grafton St.

BUBBLES MANSION: DJ Savory on Friday. DJ No Luv on Saturday. 5287 Prince St.

CELTIC CORNER: Men With Issues on Friday and Saturday. 69 Alderney Dr.

CHEERS: Sam Moon and Rick Gautreau matinee on Friday. Universal Language on Friday and Saturday, DJ Stickboy on



You Say Party, We Say Die is headlining a show tomorrow night at the Marquee Club. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door.

Sunday. 1743 Grafton St.

Saturday. 552 Sackville Dr.

Friday and Saturday. 90 Tacoma Dr.

COACH'S PUB: DJ Scott on

DAVE DOLITTLES: Karaoke on

THE DOME: DJ Mike Clarke on Friday. DJ Dave "The Legend" MacIsaac and DJ Mike Clarke on Saturday. 1663 Argyle St.

DUTCHIE'S PUB: Jeff Bonang and friends on Sunday, 4 p.m. 3671 Dutch Village Rd.

ECONOMY SHOE SHOP: Shan Arseneault on Monday. 1661 Argyle St.

FINBAR'S: Spyder Macdonald on Friday and Saturday. Sunnyside Mall.

GINGER'S TAVERN: RJ and the Archers with Klarka Weinwurm and Thomas Richard on Friday, Ryan Cook matinee on Friday, Acres and Acres, Erin Costello, Matthew De Zoete on Saturday, 1662 Barrington St.

GUS' PUB: Fembots with Octoberman on Friday, Hella-caust with Wohedness, He Lies In Ruin on Saturday, Carole St. John on Sunday, 2605 Agricola St.

HALIFAX ALEHOUSE: Merrimac on Friday and Saturday, 1717 Brunswick St.

HARBOURFRONT ROOM: Boys Next Door on Friday and Saturday, Tony Quinn matinee on Saturday, Casino Nova Scotia.

THE JOLLY MUG: Sidekixx on Sunday. 15 Lakeland Rd.

LION'S HEAD TAVERN: Laurie the Guy on Friday and Saturday. 5833 Sullivan St.

LOWER DECK: Corey Tetford, Paul Lamb matinee on Friday and Saturday, Paul Lamb matinee on Saturday, Wreckhouse on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Historic Properties.

MARQUEE CLUB: Tom Curren with The Noahs, Andrew Hunter and The Gatherers on Friday, You Say Party, We Say Die with Ruby Jeans And The Thoughtful Bees, Wintergloves and Tupperware Remix Party on Saturday, 2037 Göttingen St.

MENZ BAR: DJ Needles and DJ Bear on Friday and Saturday. 2182 Göttingen St.

MY SON'S PLACE: Open mic with Low Rider Band on Sunday. 223 Wyse Rd.

NENAGH BAR AND GRILL: Bruce MacKinnon on Saturday, 30 Farnham Gate.

NICHE: Mike Cowie's Waterbabies Jazz Quartet on Friday and Saturday. 1505 Barrington St.

O'CARROLL'S: The Gig Dogs on Friday and Saturday. David Dobson on Sunday.

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Contemporaries, Tom Forestell paintings, Nova Scotia folk art exhibition, female photography exhibition, Roots of Democracy, Various dates. 1723 Hollis St.

1860 Upper Water St.

OLD TRIANGLE: 1749 on Friday and Saturday. Seph Peters and Gordon Tucker Band matinee on Saturday. Kevin Roach on Sunday. 5136 Prince St.

OUR FRIEND'S PUB: Kitchen parties on Monday. John Snyder on Thursday. 19 Norm Newman Dr.

THE PALACE NIGHTCLUB: DJ Trixx on Friday. DJ Fierce on Saturday. 1721 Brunswick St.

PARKSIDE PUB: Dr. Zoo on Friday, Wildside on Saturday. Leroy Bennett on Sunday matinee. 14 Highfield Park Dr.

THE PAVILION: Hellcaust, He Lies In Ruin, Mesrine, Thy Goat on Saturday. 5816 Cogswell St.

PEDDLER'S PUB: DJ Mathematix on Friday and Saturday. Granville Mall.

POGUE FADO: Ten Mile House on Thursday. 1581 Barrington St.

PORTER'S LAKE PUB: Dressed 2 Kill on Friday. Karaoke on Saturday. 5528 Highway 7.

THE RED STAG: Bob Lambert musical comedy on Saturday. 1496 Lower Water St.

REFLECTIONS: DJ No Luv on Friday. DJ Headphones on Saturday. The Legends Drag Show on Sunday. 5184 Sackville St.

RIVERSIDE PUB: Sam Moon and Rick Gautreau on Saturday. 1552 Bedford Highway.

RODEO LOUNGE: Ryan Cook matinee on Friday. Gordie Duggan Band on Friday and Saturday. 121 Ilsley Ave.

THE SEAHORSE: Chris Colepaugh and The Cosmic Crew with Gloryhound and The Skyhawks, Paul Macleod and Lucas Stagg on Friday. Dammien Alexander and The Sonic Cinema on Saturday 1659 Argyle St.

THE SHORE CLUB: Octoberfest on Saturday. 250 Shore Club Rd.

SNAUBAR: Live entertainment on Friday and Saturday. 1535 Dresden Row.

THE SPLIT CROW: McGinty on Friday and Saturday. The Party on Saturday matinee. House Party Guys on Sunday. 1855 Granville St.

STAYNER'S WHARF: Ben Sures on Friday. Los Flamencos on Saturday.

Jeff Goodspeed and Friends matinee on Sunday. 5075 George St.

TRIBECA: Famous Players on Friday. DJ Double A on Saturday. Old Wagon Whiskey on Sunday. 1588 Granville St.

WHISKEY LOUNGE: Open mid with Louisa and friends on Saturday. 27-29 Portland St.

WINSTON'S: DJ Delta Don on Friday. The Persuaders on Saturday. 278 Lacewood Dr.

galleries

ARGYLE FINE ART: Work by James Walker and Shaun Lowe through Oct. 17. 1869 Upper Water St.

ART 1274 HOLLIS: Works by local artist. 1274 Hollis St.

ART GALLERY OF NOVA SCOTIA: Contemporaries, Tom Forestell paintings, Nova Scotia folk art exhibition, female photography exhibition, Roots of Democracy, Various dates. 1723 Hollis St.

ART-PORT GALLERY: Works by 12 local artists. Robert Stanfield International Airport.

CRAIG GALLERY: Autumn Gold by the Dartmouth Visual Arts Society. Through Sunday. 10th annual Mosaic for Mental Halifax, Wednesday through Oct. 26. Alderney Landing.

DALHOUSIE ART GALLERY: Carole Conde and Karl Beveridge: Working Culture, running Oct. 17 through Nov. 23. 6101 University Ave.

GALLERY PAGE AND STRANGE: Karen Kulyk's A Catalan



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HYDROSTONE GALLERY: Jaye Ouellette: Recent Paintings. 5519 Young St.

MOUNT ST. VINCENT ART GALLERY: Danish Modern: Suzanne Swannie Textil, running Oct. 18 through Nov. 23. 166 Bedford Hwy.

PEDWAY PICTURE GALLERY: New works by members of Creative Spirit East, Alderney Pedway, Dartmouth.

SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY: Euan MacDonald: Two Places at Once, curated by Ann MacDonald and Barbara Fischer. Through Sunday. 5865 Gorsebrook Ave.

SECOND GALLERY: Paul Hanon and Dean Brousseau

through Oct. 18. 6301 Quinpool Rd.

SEEDS GALLERY: Works by various artists from NSCAD University. 1892 Hollis St.

VEITH STREET GALLERY: Works by Chris Jackson, Michael Seary and Mike McCarty, through Oct. 30, 3,115 Veith Street, Halifax.

VIEWPOINT GALLERY: Karen Nieuwland's Touchstones – Chapter One, Through Nov. 2, 1272 Barrington St.

ZWICKER'S GALLERY: Works by various regional artists. 5415 Doyle St.

museums

MARITIME MUSEUM OF THE ATLANTIC: Halifax vs. Louisbourg: The Final Siege.

Through Nov. 2 1675 Lower Water St.

MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY: The Whole Tooth And Nothing But The Tooth. Tuesday through Jan. 18. 1747 Summer St.

DISCOVERY CENTRE: The LEGO show, Secrets Of The Pharaohs starting today and running through Jan. 4, 1593 Barrington St.

PIER 21: Various exhibits. 1055 Marginal Rd.

theatre

GRAFTON ST DINNER THEATRE: Too Many Fish In The Sea. Begins today and runs through Jan. 18. Call 425-1961 for reservations.

HALIFAX FEAST DINNER THEATRE: Cape Breton Idle III. Through November. 1505 Barrington St. Call 420-1840.

NEPTUNE THEATRE: The Devil's Disciple. Through Sunday. 1,593 Argyle St.

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The FemBots are continuing their cross-Canada tour with a show tonight at Gus's Pub.

Metro's 7th Heaven: What's hot right now

1 Katy Perry doll
Katy Perry is entering the toy world. The singer has collaborated with fashion designer Jason Wu, creative director for Integrity's high-end fashion doll lines, to create a 12 inch-tall version of her, which will be sold worldwide in a limited edition.

2 Chunky stilettos
Stilettos are back, with a chunky twist, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The platform stiletto combines a hidden platform in the front part of the shoe, with a skyscraper stiletto heel. Stilettos are sleek, elegant, stylish and sexy. The higher they reach, the hotter they are.

3 Resume lies mean sleepless nights: Poll
More than a third of people can't sleep before an interview, worrying about lies they have included on their resumes, a poll by Interviewgold.com suggests. For 35 per cent of people, their biggest nightmare would be getting caught, the interview skills training website's survey found.

4 Extraordinary Canadians: Lester B. Pearson, by Andrew Cohen
Canada's election shenanigans got you down? Sit back, put your feet up, and travel back to a time when Canada's leaders had vision, courage — and personality! Metro Canada columnist Andrew Cohen's book on Lester B. Pearson — part of Penguin Canada's Extraordinary Canadians Series — is the place to start. Here was a politician who for his diplomatic work as External Affairs Minister won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1957, for no less — in the words of the selection committee — than having "saved the world."

... and what's not

Barton pans Posh
Actress Mischa Barton has panned former Posh Spice Victoria Beckham's fashion sense. "Posh doesn't strike me as particularly stylish. I don't think she's a good example of British style at all." This from someone who's own fashion choices have raised a few eyebrows online (gofugyourself.celebuzz.com, bumpshack.com).

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DRUM concludes its month-long stint at the Bella Rose Arts Centre in Clayton Park with shows through Sunday.

Lopez denies nervous breakdown

A spokesperson for singer/actress Jennifer Lopez has denied reports the star suffered a nervous breakdown in 2002. "As long as we have represented Jennifer, we have never heard her refer to having a breakdown of any sort," the spokesperson said. **IMDB.COM**

Celebrity Buzz**Kellie opens up about depression**

PEOPLE Last year, Kellie Pickler battled depression and suffered reactions to anti-depressant pills after struggling with family problems and a breakup from her boyfriend, hockey player Jordin Tootoo, **People.com** reports.

"In my personal life, I was just crumbling," the singer says.

Anti-depressants made her "crazy," she says, and the side effects forced her to quit the pills.

At the same time,

she watched her father — a convicted felon who had been released from prison soon after her stint on *American Idol* — return to jail, while her mother, who abandoned her at age 2, unexpectedly re-emerged.

Her friendships with singers Taylor Swift and Carrie Underwood,

along with a new love, songwriter Kyle Jacobs, and writing songs helped her find balance again.

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**Police to question Butler about assault**

LEGAL Gerard Butler is at the centre of a Los Angeles police criminal investigation after allegedly assaulting a photographer, **imdb.com** reports.

Butler was driven off in a waiting limousine after leaving an L.A. bar at 2 a.m. on Tuesday when a waiting photographer began to follow the actor's vehicle in his own car.

According to **TMZ.com**, Butler ordered his limousine to stop before climbing out and asking the photographer why he was being fol-

lowed.

When the man responded, "Hey, that's my job," Butler allegedly reached in the car, grabbed the photographer's throat and punched him with a closed fist.

According to reports, the paparazzo had to be treated in hospital for his injuries, which were stitched up before he went to file a police report for the incident.

Officials at the Los Angeles Police Department have confirmed they are looking into the case and plan on interviewing the actor.

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**Jamie Lynn plans to pursue biz degree**

EDUCATION Jamie Lynn Spears is planning to go to university to study for a business degree, as soon as her baby daughter is old enough to be left with a nanny, **imdb.com** reports.

The actress, sister of pop star Britney, isn't content to remain a stay-at-home mom to four-month-old Maddie.

Seventeen-year-old Jamie Lynn is itching to finish her education, and

will leave the tot with her mother Lynne so she can go to college.

"I want to get my business degree," she tells *Ok!* magazine. "I could take online courses right now, but with Maddie being so young, it's hard to sit down and focus. I'm going to wait until she's a little bit older, and she can stay with my mama while I go to classes. I do want to go to college and get a degree."

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**Group lauds Avril's work**

KUDOS Avril Lavigne has been lauded for her charity work in China, female-first.co.uk reports.

The pop star's recent tour, which wrapped in Beijing, China, recently, has been raising money to help the poor and children with disabilities. Members of the China Association of Social Workers have presented Lavigne with a certificate of hon-

our in recognition of her efforts.

During her tour of the country, Lavigne has also been taking time out to visit kids in the Sichuan province, which was ravaged by earthquakes earlier this year, to present them with gifts.

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**Stalking suspect faces trial**

COURT A woman accused of stalking actor John Cusack will stand trial after a plea deal fell through, **imdb.com** reports.

Diane Leatherman, 33, was arrested outside Cusack's California home in March and charged with one felony count of stalking.

Leatherman was set to accept a deal with a Los Angeles court which would

have seen her avoid prison, but it collapsed after she accused her attorney, Brent Merritt, of using scare tactics to get her to agree to the deal.

Merritt denied the allegation.

Leatherman will now stand trial at a future date. Leatherman faces three years in prison if convicted.

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**celebrity briefs****Shot at Botox irks Courteney**

BEAUTY Actress Courteney Cox may not be trying Botox again soon, **imdb.com** reports.

"I went to this doctor once, and he was like, 'Oh, let me do it just here and here and here.' And I was miserable. I mean, I'm an actor, I've got to be able to move my face ... It's not that I haven't tried Botox — but I hated it," she says.

**Sixx inspired by girlfriend Kat**

RELATIONSHIPS Motley Crue bassist Nikki Sixx says his girlfriend of about eight months, L.A. Ink star Kat Von D, keeps him inspired, **People.com** reports.

"She's so into art," says Sixx. "I learn from her all the time and we just keep getting closer."

GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS

**Ben bans trendy names**

EXPECTING Ben Affleck and Jennifer Garner will choose a traditional name for their unborn child, because the actor dislikes "trendy" baby names in Hollywood, **imdb.com** reports.

The couple is expecting their second child later this year.

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**"This makes no sense at all..."**

by Joe O'Neill

Courteney Cox has revealed to *Marie Claire* magazine that she's no fan of Botox, because it would destroy her ability to act. Phew! Big sigh of relief from yours truly. Rejoice with me that we're not going to be robbed of the thespian talents of Courteney Cox in the foreseeable future.

You have to love it when a celebrity makes a breathless admission that attempts to position her as a person not entirely morally compromised by living in the cesspool of venality that is Hollywood. Saying, "I won't use Botox" is right up there with, "If I have one fault, it might be that I care about people too much," or, "The friends I grew up with keep me grounded." You can be sure that when you read these statements, the speaker is probably laughing and thinking, "I'm such a good actor!"

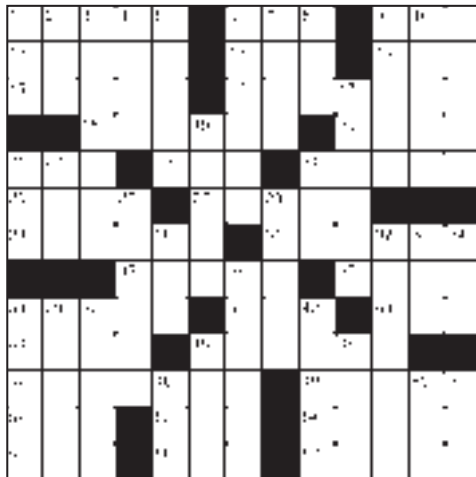
However, I won't dispute that Cox is telling the truth when she says she doesn't use Botox. Botox is as passé as detox these days. The elite have moved on to something else. **Nicole Kidman** has fewer lines on her face than her newborn daughter, and my sources tell me that a top-secret injected serum made up of dolphin tears, called Flip-pox, is responsible.

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Take Five



Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

	2	7					4	
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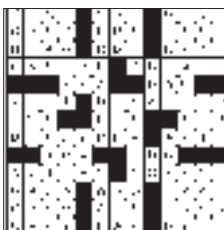
Crossword across

- 1 Passport endorsements
- 6 Scepter
- 9 Hot tub
- 12 Hibernian
- 13 Mamie's man
- 14 Third degree?
- 15 TV, radio, etc.
- 16 HOV lane group
- 18 Unsophisticated
- 20 Unrivaled
- 21 Joan of—
- 23 Luau side dish
- 24 Uproar
- 25 Just one of those things?
- 27 Kingdom
- 29 9 Lives spokesperson
- 31 Passed on the track
- 35 In accompaniment
- 37 Sans accompaniment
- 38 Orange variety
- 41 "— the ramparts ..."
- 43 Frequently
- 44 Hindu princess
- 45 Northern
- 47 Low-tech teleprompter?
- 49 Clintons' cat
- 52 Columnist Landers
- 53 Wire measure
- 54 Alaskan tribe
- 55 Perched
- 56 "Ulalume" writer
- 57 Destitute

Crossword down

- 1 Get-up-and-go
- 2 Incense
- 3 Motorcycle attachment
- 4 Largest of the seven
- 5 Acute
- 6 Nicole of "The Simple Life"
- 7 Suitable
- 8 Aachen article
- 9 Animal track
- 10 Record player, for short
- 11 Freud associate
- 17 Fattens
- 19 Trunk
- 21 \$ dispenser
- 22 Pi follower
- 24 Peninsula st.
- 26 Catastrophic
- 28 Rags-to-riches writer
- 30 — de-France
- 32 Prop for Minnesota Fats
- 33 Sprite
- 34 "E" in Morse code
- 36 Piece of pasta
- 38 Killer whales
- 39 Hot spot in 9-Across
- 40 Concerning
- 42 Gum or epoxy
- 45 Vivacity, musically
- 46 Highly rated
- 48 Rock band's accessory
- 50 Tease
- 51 Pigs' digs

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



5	1	2	9	3	6	7	8	4
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3	9	1	8	5	4	6	2	7
4	2	5	7	6	9	3	1	8
8	7	6	2	1	3	9	4	5

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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

- Under 13 minGenius
13-17 minScholar
17-21 minSmart
21-25 minNot bad
25+ minKeep practising

Recipe of the day



Chicken breasts with peaches and ginger

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 bunch scallions, trimmed
- 1 lb (500 g) boneless skinless chicken breasts halves, trimmed
- ¼ tsp (1 mL) salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tsp (10 mL) canola oil
- 3 tbsp (45 mL) apple cider vinegar
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) sugar
- ½ cup (125 mL) no-sugar-added peach juice or apple juice
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) grated fresh ginger
- 1 ¼ cup (300 mL) reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 1 large peach, peeled and sliced (1/2-in/1-cm wedges)
- 2 tsp (10 mL) cornstarch
- 2 tsp (10 mL) water

METHOD:

1. Chop scallions, reserving all white portions and ¼ cup (50 mL) greens separately.
2. If chicken piece are large, cut in half lengthwise so that you have at least 4 pieces. Place chicken between 2 pieces of plastic wrap and pound into ½-in (1-cm) thickness with rolling pin or mallet. Season

with salt and pepper.

3. Heat oil in large skillet over medium-high heat. Add chicken and brown, 3 to 3 ½ minutes per side. Transfer to plate.
4. Add vinegar and sugar to skillet. Stir to dissolve sugar. Cook, swirling skillet, until syrup turns dark amber. Add scallion whites, peach juice and ginger. Bring to boil, stirring to scrape up caramelized bits. Cook for 1 minute. Add broth and peaches. Return to boil. Cook, turning peaches, until tender. Mix cornstarch and water. Add to sauce. Cook, stirring, until slightly thickened. Reduce heat to low. Return chicken and accumulated juices to skillet. Simmer gently until chicken is heated through, about 1 minute. Garnish with reserved scallion greens.

SERVES 4



Horoscopes

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

A worker presents serious challenges. There'll be some strange developments. Some days are just too weird to be true.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

Comings and goings will disturb an arrogant person. You'll get a better understanding of an apology. A crazy female makes promises that won't be kept.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

Learn something new after lunch. Loneliness is dispelled by an amusing friend. It's not possible to do everything by yourself.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

A rushed woman can't tell you what to do. An important document needs adjustment. Be true to yourself.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

You'll be reminded of your importance to others. Someone gives you an important business tip. A warning won't make you change your mind.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

Say yes to a difficult request. Help someone to be calm when alarmed. A man's misunderstood signals will create uncertainty.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

You can bring out the best in a friend. Stop paying attention to gossip at work. An adversary decides to drop in on you without warning.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

Provide support for someone even if you're busy. An undertaking will be surprising and fun. A control freak is secretive about misbehaving.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

Contact with a girlfriend gives some relief. New clothes become the focus of a domestic drama. It's not wise to complain of the management's direction.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

A serious guy makes you giddy with joy. Things change for the better in the neighbourhood. A new love affair is set to begin soon.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

Make a fresh start by standing your ground. Trouble with money unsettles a woman. Brace yourself if you want to be comforting.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20

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